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—OF THE—

Alleghany Baptist Association

FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

STRATFORD, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 14, 1941

Next Session Will Be Held With Bellview Baptist Church, Furches, N. C., on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1942

INTRODUCTORY SERMON BY

REV. N. M. GREENE, OF THE THREE FORKS ASSOCIATION, BOONE, N. C.

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A. O. Joines, Moderator ----------Sparta, N. C.
Van Miller, Clerk ----------Laurel Springs, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

John M. Cheek, Chairman ----------Sparta, N. C.
Sowell Woodruff ----------Cherry Lane, N. C.
W. F. Doughton ----------Laurel Springs, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Order of Business**—J. H. Doughton, Dewey Sturdivant, Amos Wagoner.

2. **Ministerial Relief**—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Rev. C. H. McKnight, Rev. A. K. Taylor

3. **Religious Literature**—Mrs. J. T. Fender, Mrs. F. W. Royal, Mrs. M. A. Jones.

4. **Hospital**—Mrs. W. P. Maxwell, Mrs. Carrie Mitchell, Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls.

5. **Orphanage**—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Mrs. Wiley McMillan, Mrs. Lena Edwards.

6. **Missions**—Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. Glenn Richardson, Mrs. James Mitchell.

7. **Christian Education**—Mrs. Grace Goodman, Mrs. Roy T. Burgiss, Mrs. Reece Miller.

8. **Temperance**—G. R. Blackburn, W. F. Royal, Mrs. Maggie Atwood.

9. **Cooperative Program**—Mrs. Sam Porter, Mrs. D. C. Bledsoe; Mrs. Nora Lee Stuart.

10. **Resolutions Committee**—Rev. V. W. Sears, R. L. Doughton, T. R. Burgiss, Hugh Choate.

11. **Representation of Biblical Recorder**—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.

12. **Committee on Sunday Schools**—W. B. Reeves, James Church, Homer Rector.

Associational Sunday School Superintendent—T. C. Osborne, Laurel Springs.

13. **Committee on Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. V. W. Sears, Mrs. W. B. Estep, Mrs. Ben Reeves.

Superintendent of W. M. U.—Mrs. A. O. Joines, Sparta, N. C.

14. **Committee on Baptist Training Union**—Miss Ivy Grace Doughton, Miss Nellie Goodman, Miss Phyllis Nuckolls.

15. **Committee on Whitehead Parsonage**—J. T. Fender, J. McD. Wagoner, W. L. Edwards.

16. **Sparta Parsonage**—W. F. Doughton, D. J. Jones, A. C. Dancy, D. C. Bledsoe, James Hoppers.

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Roll of Churches and Messengers

FORTY-FOURTH SESSION, 1941

1. BELLVIEW
2. CHESTNUT GROVE
3. LAUREL SPRINGS
4. LIBERTY
5. MOUNT CARMEL
6. NEW HOPE
7. NEW RIVER
8. PINE FORK
9. SCOTTVILLE
10. SPARTA

VISITORS RECOGNIZED AND WELCOMED

Dr. I. G. Greer, Superintendent of Baptist Orphanage, Liberty Association.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pipes, of the Buncombe Association.

Rev. J. C. Canipe, N. M. Greene and D. M. Edminsten, of the Three Forks Association.

Rev. A. C. Ashley, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wagoner, of the Ashe Association.

Smith Hagaman, Supt. of the Baptist Hospital, Rev. Chas. E. Parker and Mrs. Carrie Jenkins, of the Pilot Mt. Association.

Misses Eloise Downs, Emily Davis, Dorothy Elliott and Corinne Forehand, of the Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Mrs. Bryant Taylor, of the New River Association.

Proceedings

OF THE
ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE
NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
STRATFORD, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 14, 1941

General Theme: The Uplifted Christ.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

Session Theme: The Uplifted Christ and His Church.

The forty-fourth annual session of the Alleghany Baptist Association was called to order by the Moderator, A. O. Joines.

The roll call of churches and messengers followed, for which see preceeding page.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Caldwell with scripture reading from Ephesians 6th chapter, and prayer.

In the absence of the Clerk, Rev. C. R. Blackburn was elected Clerk pro tempere and served as such throughout the meetings of the Association.

On motion the Association adjourned until 1:30 p. m. as a token of respect to Bro. F. Miller, of the Laurel Springs Church and the following were appointed as a committee to prepare proper resolutions of appreciation in memory of our deceased brother whose son, Van Miller is Clerk of our Association: John M. Cheek; Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Mrs. Sam Porter, Rev. D. M. Edminsten. The Association then attended as a body to funeral of Brother Miller at Laurel Springs Baptist Church.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT IN MEMORY OF F. MILLER

The Alleghany Baptist Association, in session with New Hope Church, has heard with deep sorrow of the death of Brother F. Miller who has long been identified with the interest and work of the Association, and in appreciation of his life and services offers this resolution of respect:

We have in submission to the will of our Heavenly Father who calls hence his faithful servant and pray that the memory of his life may be for us an incentive to more faithful living and more loyal support of the Kingdom of Righteousness.

We extend to the bereaved family our prayerful sympathy in this hour of trial and pray for them the blessings of our Father who looks with pity upon his children.

This resolution is to be recorded in the Minutes of this Association, a copy to be sent to the family of our deceased brother and a copy to be supplied to the Biblical Recorder.

Done by order of the Association, Sept. 11, 1941.

A. O. JOINES, Moderator
REV. G. R. BLACKBURN, Clerk Pro Tem-

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1941, 1:30 P. M.

Session Theme: The Uplifted Christ in a World Program.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. D. M. Edminsten with scripture reading from John 12:23-36, and prayer.

The following were appointed a Nominating Committee: Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Rev. A. K. Taylor, Rev. Willie Ham, Mrs. Biddie Wagoner, Floyd Roupe, Paul Woodruff and George Perry. The committee reported the following nominated for officers of the Association for the ensuing year: A. O. Joines. Moderator; Van Miller, Clerk and Treasurer; John M. Cheek; S. O. Woodruff and W. F. Doughton to be members of the Executive Committee; and the above were elected by vote of the Association.

Report of the Executive Committee—The report was read by the chairman, John M. Cheek and was on motion adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

During the Associational year which is now coming to an end we believe that progress has been made in carrying forward our denominational work as a whole although not all that we hoped to do has been accomplished.

We commend the movement to provide a Daily Vacation Bible School in each church of the Association and so important is this work that we ought not to fail next year to enroll even a greater number of children in these schools. We note also with satisfaction that a training course for Sunday School Teachers and Workers has been conducted in every church, with possibly one exception and this accomplishment ought to be enlarged next year as the Sunday School is the greatest agency of the church as a teaching and as an evangelistic agency and for character-building. We commend also the loyal support given to the efficient and fruitful promotion of the work of the Woman's Missionary Union and the work of the Training Union.

Finally, we desire to express to Secretary M. A. Huggins and the Baptist General Board, our sincere appreciation for their untiring interest and generous support of our missionary endeavors in this Association, and we hope through their continued cooperation we may enlarge our undertakings for next year and be able to attain success in our desire to reach and benefit more people in Alleghany county. We suggest as our motto for next year the words of Isaiah 54:2: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes."

JOHN M. CHEEK,
W. F. DOUGHTON,
SOWELL WOODRUFF,
Executive Committee

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. A. C. Ashley, of the Ashe Association, who used as a text Matthew 5:13-14,

"Ye are the salt of the earth—Ye are the light of the world".

Committee appointed on Time, Place and Preacher: Mrs. J. McD. Wagoner, Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Sowell Woodruff, Mrs. Nan Edwards, John R. Joines and W. F. Doughton. The report which was adopted on motion was:

COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Place: Bellview Church, Furches, N. C.

Time: Friday before the second Sunday of September.

Preacher: Rev. M. N. Green, of Threeforks Association, Boone, N. C.

W. F. DOUGHTON, for committee.

Rev. J. C. Pipe represented the General Board of the State Convention and spoke in place of M. A. Huggins, secretary, on the Cooperative Program of North Carolina and Southern Baptists.

Adjourned to meet Saturday at 10 o'clock a. m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1941, AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

Session Theme: The Uplifted Church in Ministry to Human Needs.

Devotional services by Rev. G. R. Blackburn—reading Luke 10:15-27, and prayer.

Report on Religious Literature. This report was read by Mrs. W. B. Estep and on motion, after discussion by Rev. J. C. Canipe, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

"Blessed is he that readeth", wrote St. John in Revelation 1:3. When our homes are not supplied as they ought to be with good religious books, papers and magazines, we fail to inform ourselves about the progress of our various churches and our state program of religious work. Our children are our greatest joys and we must provide in our homes, reading that will guide our children to the higher things in life.

There is too much now in the way of unwholesome reading; too many magazines that are corrupt and demoralizing. We urge upon our people more Bible reading and study. We commend without any reservation "The Biblical Recorder" and "Charity and Children". Our Sunday school literature published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is unexcelled. There is none that is better. We strongly commend this good reading to our people, trusting that more people will do more reading.

MRS. W. B. ESTEP,
MRS. WALTER TAYLOR, Committee.

Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C., was elected Associational Representative of Biblical Recorder.

Brief reports from the churches were called for by the Moderator and the following reported for their respective churches: Bellview, Rev. G. R. Blackburn; Chestnut Grove, Rev. G. R. Blackburn; Laurel Springs, W. F. Doughton; Liberty, Mrs. E. E Caudill; Mt. Carmel, Charley Hanks; New Hope, Guy Burchette; New River,————; Pine Fork, Rev. Willie Ham; Scott-

ville, Dick Shepherd; Sparta, John M. Cheek.

Report on Aid for Aged Ministers—Rev. V. W. Sears read this report, adopted on motion, as follows:

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS

Our entire country is conscious of the great need for old age security. The Federal government has taken steps to secure this for the average working man, whatever his work may be. However, there is not, nor should there be under any circumstances, governmental provision to take care of Baptist ministers who have reached the retirement age, or who have been forced by reason of their health or other circumstances to cease their ministerial work.

Other denominations have made provisions for such ministers and several years ago Southern Baptists formulated a plan whereby was constituted the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. This board is just what its name implies. It exists for the sole purpose of helping destitute and retired ministers.

Of course it is necessary for young ministers and their churches to enter this plan so that those who are now eligible for help may receive that help. So if we would help take care of the retirement of those who have faithfully labored for us let us as churches and ministers enter this plan.

This plan calls for 3% of the minister's salary to be paid by the church, 3% by the minister himself and 2% from the State Convention fund. As in other agencies of this type the member's retirement annuity or monthly income for life will depend upon his income up to the time of retirement.

Last year, 1940, the Board paid benefits to the total of $415,-100.77. It is estimated that for 1941 the amount will approximate $501,508.90.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Ministerial Relief,
V. W. SEARS

Report on Hospitals—Mrs. W. P. Maxwell made the report which, on motion, was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Baptist hospital is just now completing additions to its plant that increases its bed capacity from 108 to 300. This will enable the hospital to treat 10,000 patients each year. Of this number, we may expect 3,300 of them will be service patients; that is ,not able to pay a hospital bill. 3,300 will be mothers who have been waiting for their return home, 10,000 children. If the present rate is maintained, 200 will be preachers for whom no charge has been made for the last two years or more.

The hospital has a staff of 100 doctors; these are all specialists in the many fields of medicine and surgery.

The hospital runs a well-equipped standard Training School for Nurses. These are taken from as nearly every section of the state as possible. A class of about 50 will be taken each year, making a school of 150.

The Medical Building of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College is now completed and the Medical School will open the first of September of this year. While the Medical School and the Hospital will be closely related and mutually helpful in every department, they will remain separate institutions, controlled by separate Boards of Directors and supported from different sources.

Everything contributed to the hospital goes to the support of the hospital exclusively. The Mother's Day offering by the churches is used entirely for the service of patients not financially able to pay for treatment.

The spiritual side of the hospital's service is stressed always. The hospital has a full-time pastor supplied by the generous donation of Mr. C. M. Scott, of High Point. This pastor, Rev. Charles E. Parker, in addition to his many activities with the patients and their families and friends, teaches a course in Bible in the Nurses Training School.

The various organizations of our women and young people are rendering a vast service to the hospital in supplying linens of all kinds—such as sheets, pillow cases, towels, wash cloths and etc.

Our vastly enlarged program, of course, will require increased support.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. P. MAXWELL

Rev. V. W. Sears read the report of the Committee on Resolutions which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee on Resolutions for the Alleghany Association wishes to make the following proposals:

Be it resolved that:

1. That every church do everything possible to consolidate the marvelous work done in the Vacation Bible School work this past year by putting on a school in this coming year and expanding the work of the school as much as possible.

2. That, since only three of our churches had Sunday schools the entire year, every effort be made to keep up for the entire twelve months the Sunday schools started during the summer months and that where Sunday schools do not exist schools be organized and encouraged by the stronger churches of the Association.

3. That each church continue its special evangelistic efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolution Committee,
V. W. SEARS, Chairman.

The Association extended a rising vote of thanks to members and friends of New Hope Church for their gracious and unfailing hospitality in entertaining the annual meeting of the Association

Report of Temperance—The report of the Committee on Temperance was read by Mrs. J. T. Fender and adopted as follows

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The liquor bill of this nation is $4 000,000,000 annually, this being money absolutely destroyed, thrown away, burned up, wasted. And the brewers and distillers spend annually $50,000,000 in advertising in many different ways to encourage the expenditure of the above huge amount for the liquor bill solely. Instead of having 177,000 old-time saloons as we had before the enactment of the 18th amendment, we now have about 500,000 taverns, roadhouses and saloons which have made liquor-drinking highly popular by all classes, including women, children, boys and girls, and the patrons of these beer and wine and liquor and dancing parlors have become the best customers of the ABC hard liquor institutions. Sales of LEGAL liquor in North Carolina totaled $183,146. more in July, 1941, than in the corresponding month, according to figures released by the chairman of the state alcoholic beverage control board. July sales totaled $635,680. in the 26 counties with legalized liquor stores.

Sentiment against liquor, however, is growing throughout the state. The increase in drunkenness, crime and immorality in the counties where liquor stores have operated has created intolerable conditions. Bootlegging still flourishes in those counties. And the drys in those counties are determined to call elections and close their stores.

Recently there appeared in one of our nationally-known magazines an advertisement by the House of Seagram extolling the virtues of their "fine" whiskies. In one corner of the advertisement in smaller print there was this warning, "Don't drive for six hours after you have had a drink."

Let me conclude with this comment by Upton G. Wilson, who has been an invalid 34 years on account of an injury to his back because of a drunken driver and therefore knows whereof he speaks.

RAGWEEDS AND COCKLEBURS
By Upton G. Wilson

Two days ago in this column we mentioned Robert B. Stone, Jr., a 20-year-old Stoneville youth, whose back was broken in a highway accident for which a drunken driver was directly responsible. If you have never had your back broke, have never faced a life of helpless invalidism, you don't know, you can't even imagine what this quiet, amiable young man has been needlessly made to suffer.

We could tell you, if we chose, tell you from hard, bitter experience of the torture young Stone daily endures. We could tell you how he has had to give up the brave things he had planned to do with his life, how he must endure the pity, frequently the ill-concealed pity of friends and acquaintances, how he must look forward all the rest of his days, be they few or many, to utter physical helplessness.

We could tell you how hard, how agonizingly hard, it is to adjust one's self to a life of helplessness. We could tell you, too, that no matter how great his physical suffering is, his mental suffering is even greater. We could tell you of the long, long

nights of the dragging interminable days, made tolerable only by body-easing and mind-numbing drugs.

We could tell you—but, ah, God, should we?—of that most terrible of all tortures, the morale-shattering, the nerve-destroying agony that will come when drugs are denied him and he must decide whether to keep on fighting or to surrender to the mighty forces arrayed against him.

More than this, we could tell you of what young Robert Stone is enduring and must continue to endure, if he lives, but we shall say no more. We ask you to remember, however, that he is suffering the torments of the damned because it is smart to drink and then drive.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. T. FENDER

Hon. R. L. Doughton made, at the request of the Moderator, a short address on the work of the Alleghany Association.

The inspirational address of the morning services was ably delivered by Rev. J. C. Canipe, Boone, N. C.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1941, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. C. H. McKnight reading from the 4th Chapter of Ephesians; prayer by Rev. R. L. Stamper.

Report of Obituaries was read by Rev. Willie Ham:

IN MEMORIAM

Died During Associational Year

Rufus Crouse, Mt. Carmel Church.
Dr. C. A. Reeves, Sparta Church.
W. B. Estep, Liberty Church.
F. Miller, Laurel Springs Church.

Report of Work of Woman's Missionary Union. This report was read by Mrs. A. O. Joines and adopted:

REPORT OF W. M. U. (1941)

The Woman's Missionary Union is ever building bridges of good will, understanding, prayer and stewardship; without which God's purpose to make the world a brotherhood of love can never be realized. We have been privileged to have a small part in helping this Association to be bridge builders for Him in this Missionary enterprise.

Even as bridges which span the mighty waters must have sure, steady foundations, so must ours be undergirded with prayer. The three special seasons of prayer we observe are: for Home Missions, in March; State Missions, in September; and Foreign Missions, in December.

If people of the world are to become brothers and sisters there must be a bridge of understanding. Some tools to be used are missionary magazines, mission study classes and best of all the Bible.

What an indispensable bridge is the bridge of stewardship! We are taught to have and express gratitude to the Great Giver,

in order to share in life abounding.

Of very definite importance is the bridge of personal service —extension of the Kingdom both here and in foreign lands. Our most earnest desire is expressed in our 1941 watchword, "That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy salvation among all nations"—Psalm 67:2.

The annual meeting was held at New Hope and was one of the most inspiring and best attended meetings held. All organizations were represented and a splendid program was rendered, the theme being: "Our Continuing Task—Making His Way Known".

In a world torn by war and dictatorship no doubt there was never a more urgent need for gospel bridges than there is today —"To teach all nations". Let us set our faces to the future, secure in the realization that the work is the Lord's. Whatever success we may have attained has come from obedience to Christ's Commands. In humility it is laid at His feet for His Glory and the on going of the Kingdom in the Alleghany Association and to the utter-most parts of the earth.

In this important bridge building business may we build for our youth as is expressed in this well known poem, by Joyce Kilmer:

An old man travelling a lone highway,
Came, at the evening cold and gray,
To a chasm, cast and deep and wide.
The old man crossed in the twilight dim
The sullen stream had no fear for him,
But he turned, when safe on the other side,
And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow traveler ,near,
You are wasting your strength building here;
Your journey ends with the ending day,
You never again shall pass this way,
You've crossed the chasm deep and wide
Why build you here at evening tide?

The builder raised his old gray head,
"Good Friend, in the path I've come", he said
"There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way;
The chasm that held no fear for me
To that fair youth may a pitfall be.
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim,
Good friend, I am building this bridge for him".

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. E. RICHARDSON,
MRS. A. O. JOINES, Committee.

Report on Christian Education—This report was read by Mrs. C. A. Reeves and adopted:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian education may be considered to consist of two great branches or divisions. The first great division is Christian Education by and in the church, such as Sunday Schools, Training Union and similar church teaching agencies and may very properly be termed religious education. The second great division is education in schools and colleges under christian influence and direction. This is the kind of christian education considered in this report.

No argument is now needed in defense of christian education since it is from christian schools and colleges that denominational leadership must so largely come. In North Carolina Baptists have two senior colleges: Wake Forest for men and Meredith for women. The junior colleges are: Chowan, Mars Hill, Campbell, Wingate and Boiling Springs. Baptist high schools in North Carolina have been discontinued owing to the great development of state public high schools.

At the present time Southern Baptists have 67 colleges and universities and three excellent theological schools, the combined valuation and endowments of which are more than 73 million dollars. In the history of our schools the largest enrollment was reached last year with a total of more than 34 thousand students. Our theological schools also had their best year. Such a report is very gratifying. These institutions are worthy of our support and our prayers. They are doing a great work to advance the coming of the kingdom of heaven and the reign of righteousness.

MRS. R. L. DOUGHTON,
MRS. C. A. REEVES, Committee.

Report on Baptist Training Union—This report was presented by Tom Greene and adopted:

REPORT OF B. T. U. WORK

1. Scottville only church that has carried on a union through the year—3 departments.

2. Part Time—Sparta, Laurel Springs and New Hope.

Possibilities

1. At least one union in every church.

The inspirational address of the afternoon session was eloquently presented by Dr. I. G. Greer, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage.

RESOLUTION IN REGARD TO PARSONAGES

Be it resolved, that Van Miller, Dan Jones, Dick Shepherd, Ben Reeves and F. W. Cheek shall be and are hereby constituted a committee of five to offer for sale the Associational Parsonage located at Sparta and that the said committee shall make report with its recommendations to the Executive Committee of the Association. If the said Executive Committee shall approve

the sale, then the committee is authorized and directed to execute a deed to the purchase. In the event the said property is sold, the treasurer of this Association shall receive and hold all funds received from said sale and disburse the same upon the written order of the Executive Committee, all such funds to be used solely for the erection of a new associational parsonage on a site to be furnished by Sparta Baptist Church without cost to the Association.

The said treasurer is required to make a report to the next annual association and to execute a bond for the safe handling of such funds as may be required by the Executive Committee. In the event of a vacancy in the above named committee, the vacancy shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

The above named Committee is also requested and directed to consider the advisability of selling a suitable portion of the Whitehead Parsonage lands and shall report its findings to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall report its recommendations to the next annual session of the Association.

Adjourned to meet Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1941 AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

Session Theme: The Uplifted Christ in Our Worship.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. V. W. Sears.

Special music by nurses from Baptist Hospital.

Inspirational address by Smith Hagaman, Superintendent of the Baptist hospital.

The final sermon was preached by Rev. Charles E. Parker, pastor of Baptist hospital.

The session was closed with prayer.

IN MEMORIAM

RUFUS A. CROUSE

Rufus A. Crouse was born August 28, 1882, and died January 3, 1939—age 56 years, 4 months and 6 days. He was married to Jennie Kennedy, September 13, 1903. To this union were born the following children: Gladys, Bert and Russell, all of whom survive.

He joined Mt. Carmel Baptist church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1901 and remained a faithful and loyal member until death. He was deacon in his church for several years.

He was in declining health for several years but seriously ill for about seven weeks. He bore his suffering with patience and while he wanted to stay with his family, he was submissive to God's Will and was willing and ready to go when the final call came.

He has been greatly missed in his church, his home and his community, but we feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

WILBORN B. ESTEP

In his infinite wisdom, God has seen fit to remove from our midst our friend and his servant, Wilborn B. Estep, son of Hiram J. and Mary Estep, who was born Sept. 22, 1874 and died

March 8, 1941, at the age of 66 years, five months and sixteen days.

Liberty church has suffered a great loss in the passing of W. B. Estep.

As superintendent of the Sunday school, as church clerk, and as a Christian citizen of the community, his life was a source of inspiration and a mighty force for good.

The loss of the county's only retired mail carrier is felt very keenly in the community and in the church.

We wish to acknowledge our gratitude for his constructive and consecrated life dedicated to the upbuilding of his home, community and church.

MRS. A. O. JOINES
MRS. J. T. FENDER,
MRS. F. W. CHEEK,
Committee for Church.

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CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work of the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distributing to the body these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, the Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bound and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention making the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.

5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

Table 1. Church Membership, Etc., Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1941.

CHURCHES—Pastors and Post Offices	When Constituted?	Mem. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters (Gains)	Statements	Letters (Losses)	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	To. Present Mem.	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Taking Bap. Paper	Prayer Meetings
Bellview—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.	1909	19				2	1			16	1	1		No
Chestnut Grove—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.		12							1	11		1		No
Laurel Springs—V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.		77	2			2			1	76	1	1		No
Liberty—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.		49	1	2	1				1	52	1	1	4	No
Mt. Carmel—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.		56	5							61	1	1	1	No
New Hope—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta, N. C.	1881	27	4					3		26	1	1		No
New River—A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	1939	14	4	1						19		1		Yes
Pine Fork—C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.	1898	29		2						31	1	1		No
Scottville—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta, N. C.	1925	52	1			1				52	1	1	2	No
Sparta—V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.	1885	108	2	1					1	109	1	1	7	No

Meeting Days—Bellview, 1st Sat & 2nd Sun; Chestnut Grove, 2nd Sat. & 4th Sun.; Laurel Springs, 1st & 4th Sat. and 2nd & 3rd Sun.; Liberty, 2nd Sat. & 3rd Sun.; Mt. Carmel, 4th Sat. & 1st Sun.; New Hope, 2nd Sun.; New River, 2nd Sun.; Pine Fork, 2nd Sun.; Scottville, 2nd Sun.; Sparta, 4th Sun.

TABLE II. Sunday Schools of Alleghany Baptist Association, State of N. C., Year Ending Sept. 1, 1941.

CHURCHES—Superintendents and Post Offices	Cradle Roll Under 3 Yrs.	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Int'mediates 13-16 Yrs.	Yg. People, 17-24 Yrs.	Adults, 25 Yrs., Up	Dept. Officers	To. Enrollment	Avg. Attendance?	Baptisms from S. S.	Enrollment	Avg. Va. School At.	No. Depts.	Is S. S. Graded?
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	8	4	1	8	10	15	12	6	64	30		12	9	2	No
Chestnut Grove—Leff Edwards, Sparta, N. C.			3		6		11	4	24	20		12	9	2	No
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.		10	5	22	8		15	6	66	42	1	97	65	6	Yes
Liberty—J. K. Blum, Whitehead, N. C.		3	1	9	2	10	17	5	47	20		40	35	7	No
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Cherry Lane, N. C.										22					No
New River—Homer Rector, Sparta, N. C.	3	5	5	8	5	4	22		52	35		109	90		No
New Hope—Guy Burchette, Furches, N. C.															No
Pine Fork—J. F. Roberts, Citron, N. C.	4	2	4	5	8	18	31		72	30					Yes
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville, N. C.	5	3	10	9	11	12	12	9	69	32		34	27	3	No
Sparta—Mrs. V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.	15	9	10	10	12		45	1	103	50	2	98	65	7	Yes

No churches have Mission Sunday School or A-1 Standard.
Teachers Holding Diplomas—None.

TABLE III. Baptist Training Union, Baptist Association of Alleghany for the Year Ending September 1, 1941.

CHURCHES	Bap. Training Un.	No. Jr. B.Y.P.U.'s	Adults Enrolled	In'mediates Enrolled	Jrs. Enrolled	To. Enrolled	Story Hours
Bellview							
Chestnut Grove							
Laurel Springs							
Liberty	1	2			20		
Mt. Carmel							
New Hope							
New River							
Pine Fork							
Scottville		7	7	8		37	5
Sparta							

TABLE IV. W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts—Men's Brotherhoods Baptist Ass'n, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1941.

CHURCHES—Presidents of W. M. S. and Post Offices	No. W. M. S.'s	No. G. A.'s	To. W.M.U. Org'zations	W. M. S. Members	G. A.'s Members	To. Members Enrolled	To. in Mission Study	W.M.U. Contributions (Local)	Con'butions by W.M.U. (Missions)	Gr. To. Cont'butions
Bellview										
Chestnut Grove										
Laurel Springs—Mrs. T. C. Moxley, Laurel Springs	1		1	10		10			$76.56	$ 76.56
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	1		1	15		15	30		8.12	8.12
Mt. Carmel										
New Hope										
New River										
Pine Fork										
Scottville—Mrs. Carrie Maines, Scottville	1		1	20	13	53			4.50	4.50
Sparta—Mrs. V. W. Sears, Sparta	2	1	3	40	13	53		$148.30	$61.50	$209.80

TABLE V. Church Property of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1941.

CHURCHES—Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own House of Worship	When Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Dept. Assem. Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value of Church	Value Pastor's Home	To. Property Value	Insurance Carried
Bellview—Mrs. Maggie Atwood, Furches, N. C.	Yes	1912	Wood	250	1			$ 600	$1,700	$ 2,300	
Chestnut Grove—Mr. Leff Edwards, Sparta, N. C.	Yes.	1939	Brick	250	1			1,500	1,700	3,200	
Laurel Springs—Mr. W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	Yes	1932	Brick	350	4	3	3	3,000	2,500	5,500	$4,500
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead, N. C.	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1		4	1,600	1,700	3,300	
Mt. Carmel—Mr. Sowell Woodruff, Cherry Lane	Yes	1908	Wood	350	1			1,000	1,700	2,700	
New Hope—Mr. D. J. Jones, Stratford, N. C.	Yes	1884	Wood	300	1			1,600		1,600	
New River—Mr. Homer Rector, Stratford, N. C.	No										
Pine Fork—Rev. Willie Ham, Laurel Springs, N. C.	Yes	1898	Wood	250	1		3				
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville, N. C.	Yes	1925	Wood	300	4	3	3	1,500		1,500	
Sparta—Mr. Jas. Hoppers, Sparta, N. C.	Yes	1941	Brick	450	8	3	10	12,000	3,000	15,000	8,300

TABLE VI. Gifts for Local Church Work of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1941.

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurer and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., etc.	For Printing Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Total All Purposes
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches, N. C.	17.18	9.00	15.00		4.90	1.35		46.93
Chestnut Grove—Wayne Edwards, Sparta, N. C.	7.83		95.25			1.00		9.83
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	500.00	39.23	60.65	17.00	24.23	12.35	295.02	683.71
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead, N. C.	161.91	3.00		10.22	18.94	5.55		519.07
Mt. Carmel—Sowell Woodruff, Cherry Lane	51.24	21.00	50.00	.62	6.23	4.00		83.09
New Hope	47.00	3.00			5.00	2.00		107.00
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta, N. C.	36.00				2.00	1.00		39.00
Pine Fork—Robert Hoppers, Citron, N. C.	30.00	17.00	30.00		7.00	3.00	1.25	91.25
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville, N. C.	47.25		20.75	14.00	16.75	3.00		101.95
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta, N. C.	600.00	71.00	9903.23	77.31	41.04	7.00		10,699.58

Table VII. Gifts for Missions, Education and all Benevolences, Alleghany Bap. Ass'n, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1941.

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Total to Co-op. Program	Spe. to State Missions	Spe. to Home Mis.	Spe. to For. Missions	Spe. to Christ. & Minis. Education	Spe. to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	To. for Missions, etc.	Grand Total—All Purposes
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches, N. C.						27.00		46.93	83.93
Chestnut Grove—Wayne Edwards, Sparta, N. C.	4.51					21.00		9.83	35.34
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.	107.68		61.65		9.91	43.57	8.54	683.71	929.97
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead, N. C.	16.10					49.89	2.50	519.07	587.56
Mt. Carmel—Sowell Woodruff, Cherry Lane, N. C.	5.00					36.00	7.25	83.09	131.34
New Hope—D. J. Jones, Stratford, N. C.	5.00					27.00		107.00	139.00
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta, N. C.						24.00	4.31	39.00	67.31
Pine Fork—Robert Hoppers, Citron, N. C.						36.00	3.43	91.25	130.68
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville, N. C.	10.43						1.27	101.95	112.65
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta, N. C.	5.38	2.68	4.08	7.65	4.60	1.94	10.25	10,699.58	10,787.52

Other Special Gifts—Laurel Springs, $15; Sparta, $51.36.

Statistical Report of the Churches in Alleghany Association for Associational Yead Ending Sept. 1, 1941.

Churches, Pastors and Post Offices	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	To. Den. Con'butions	Total Local Church Contributions	Grand Total
Bellview—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.		16	64	37.00	46.93	83.93
Chestnut Grove—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.		11	20	25.51	9.83	35.34
Laurel Springs—Rev. V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.	2	76	66	246.26	683.71	929.97
Liberty—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.	1	52	42	68.49	519.07	587.56
Mt. Carmel—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.	5	61	40	48.25	83.09	131.34
New Hope—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta, N. C.	4	26		32.00	107.00	139.00
New River—Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	4	19	52	28.31	39.00	67.31
Pine Fork—Rev. C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.		31	72	91.25	39.43	130.68
Scottville—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta, N. C.	1	52	69	11.70	101,95	112.65
Sparta—Rev. V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.	2	109	103	87.94	10,699.58	10,787.52

S. S. Supts. and Post Offices—Bellview, Mrs. C. E. Jones, Furches, N. C.; Chestnut Grove, Mr. Leff Edwards, Sparta, N. C.; Laurel Springs, Mr. Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.; Liberty, Mr. J. K. Blum, Whitehead, N. C.; Mt. Carmel, Mr. F. W. Royal, Cherry Lane, N. C.; New Hope, Mr. Guy Burchette, Furches, N. C.; New River, Mr. Homer Rector, Sparta, N. C.; Pine Fork, Mr. J. F. Roberts, Citron, N. C.; Scottville, Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville, N. C.; Sparta, Mrs. V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Alleghany Baptist Association

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

BELLVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

FURCHES, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1942

Next Session Will Be Held With Sparta Baptist Church,

Sparta, N. C., on September 10-12, 1943

INTRODUCTORY SERMON BY

REV. W. T. WHITTINGTON,

West Jefferson, N. C.

ALTERNATE: G. R. BLACKBURN

Directory Of Association

F. W. Royal, Moderator ---------- Cherry Lane, N. C.
Van Miller, Clerk ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. F. Doughton, Chairman ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.
U. S. Myers ----------Citron, N. C.
J. McD. Wagoner ---------- Whitehead, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Order of Business**—Dewey Sturdivant, J. H. Doughton, George Perry.
2. **Ministerial Relief**—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Rev. A. K. Taylor and Rev. William Ham.
3. **Religious Literature**—Mrs. F. W. Royal, Mrs. M. A. Jones, Miss Phyllis Nuckolls.
4. **Hospital**—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Mrs. Wiley McMillan.
5. **Orphanage**—Mrs. Van Miller, Mrs. Lena Edwards, Rev. Lee Woodruff.
6. **Mission**—Mrs. C. A. Reeves, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. V. W. Sears.
7. **Christian Education**—Mrs. Reece Miller, Mrs. Grace Goodman, Mrs. James Mitchell.
8. **Temperance**—Mrs. L. V. Joines, Mrs. Maggie Atwood, Mrs. Sam Perry.
9. **Cooperative Program**—Mrs. Sam Porter, Dr. Roy Burgiss, Mrs. Oscar Perry.
10. **Resolutions**—Dr. N. D. Fox, Rev. C. H. McKnight, Mrs. Clinton Halsey.
11. **Representative of Biblical Records**—Mrs. R. E. Richardson.
12. **Sunday Schools**—T. C. Osborne, Charlie Pollard, Mrs. Leff Edwards.
13. **Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. W. B. Estep, Mrs. Ben Reeves Mrs. Glenn Richardson.
14. **Training Union**—Miss Ivy Grace Doughton, Mr. J. F. Roberts. Mrs. Hardin Spencer.
15. **Whitehead Parsonage**—J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek, Enoch Ham.
16. **Sparta Parsonage**—J. M. Cheek, Rev. V. W. Sears, M. A. Goodman.

Roll of Churches and Messengers

FORTY-FIFTH SESSION, 1942

1. **BELLVIEW**
2. **CHESTNUT GROVE**
3. **LAUREL SPRINGS**
4. **LIBERTY**
5. **MOUNT CARMEL**
6. **NEW HOPE**
7. **NEW RIVER**
8. **PINE FORK**
9. **SCOTTVILLE**
10. **SPARTA.**

Proceedings

OF THE

ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE
BELLVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
FURCHES, N. C.
SEPTEMBER 12, and 13, 1942.

General Theme: The Living Christ.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 10:00 A. M.

Theme of Session: The Living Christ and His Church.

The forty-fifth annual session of the Alleghany Baptist Association was called to order by the Moderator, A. O. Joines. Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. G. R. Blackburn.

VISITORS RECOGNIZED AND WELCOMED

Clyde Green, Watauga County.
M. O. Alexander, The Raleigh Association.
R. C. Ashley, The Ashe Association.
M. D. Hart, The Ashe Association.
Brother Baker, Burnsville.
Rev. N. M. Green, The Three Forks Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Committe on time and place: McD. Wagoner, V. W. Sears, Mrs. Royal.

Resolutions Committee: Mrs. V. W. Sears, Mrs. A. O. Joines, Mrs. Alice Caudill.

Nominating Committee: (For Moderator, Clerk and Executive Committee): J. M. Cheek, Chairman, T. S. Moxley, C. E. Jones, Willie Ham.

Report of Churches: Bellview, G. R. Blackburn; Chestnut Grove, G. R. Blackburn; Laurel Springs, W. F. Doughton; Liberty, Mrs. E. E. Caudill; Mt. Carmel, Lee Woodruff; New Hope, W. H. Caldwell; New River, No one present; Pine Fork, Willie Ham; Scottville, W. H. Caldwell; Sparta, V. W. Sears.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

F. W. Royal was nominated and elected Moderator and Van Miller nominated and re-elected Clerk, with the understanding that the present Moderator continue this session.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

That the Committee on Resolutions in regard to Parsonage (Van Miller, Dan Jones, Dick Shepherd, Ben Reeves, and F. W. Cheek) be continued for one year. This report was made by Professor J. M. Cheek and adopted.

Report of the Cooperative Program was made and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Your Cooperative Program Committee has made a definite attempt this year to reach every Baptist home in the Association. In form letters to individual members and letters to the church

clerks, the committee listed the purposes of the program and urged the churches to meet their suggested or selected goals.

The Alleghany Baptist Association receives a great deal of benefit from the state board in the way of financial remunerations for our pastors, assistance in conducting revivals, help in Bible schools, and general advice and guidance. It is the hope of this committee and of many members of our churches that the churches of this association will soon be able to stand alone financially. Until that time let us do all in our power to show our appreciation for the assistance received by setting our goals sufficiently high to challenge us to more Christian giving.

By the Committee

Discussion by Rev. M. O. Alexander.

Sermon by Rev. N. M. Green of Three Forks Aassociation. Reading from Matthew 28, text taken from Verses 16 and 20.

AFTERNOON SESSION: (1:30 P. M.)

Devotional by Rev. V. W. Sears, reading from Psalm 62.

The report on Religious literature, made by Mrs. J. T. Fender, was adopted.

REPORT OF RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The outstanding Religeous Publications made possible for our North Carolina Baptist people in particular, some of them are as follows: Sunday School Literature, Charity and Children Biblical Recorder.

There should be in all of our homes and carefully read, that we may distinguish between the low and course and the noble and spiritual.

Let me illustrate—A few days ago, a mother who's young son had joined a church but not a frequent attendant was questioning, him, why he woudn't attend church and he replied that parts of his pastors sermon was a reproduction of "Wild West Stories" for he too had read them.

Moral: The shepherd as well as his flock, should let religeous literature predominate in their homes, for what you read will surely be colored by what you speak.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. T. FENDER

An oral report on Sunday Schools was made by T. C. Osborne and was adopted.

The report of the Women's Missionary Union was made by Mrs. A. O. Joines and was adopted.

REPORT OF W. M. U. (1942)

The Woman's Missionary Union very definately carries out the theme of this afternoon "The living Christ in the ministry of theaching and the ministry of human needs."

Without a doubt the Woman's Missionary Society with its junior ogranizations is the greatest mission teaching organization in the church. Mission study classes are taught, and the Bible and missionary magazines are the chief sources of the monthly programs presented.

It is with gratitude that we note evidences of growth and

progress in our work. Gifts to missions, to the Cooperative program, Hundred Thousand Club, have been increased over the lear before. All of the Women's Missionary Societies have raised funds to be used in purchasing New Testaments to give to the young men leaving for military service. A society recently sent linens to the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. In addition to these, countless little kindnesses are being rendered to the sick and needy in our own local communities.

The Woman's Missionary Society has been represented at each divisional meeting since the Wilkesboro Division was created in 1940. The Superintendent attended the Superintendents Conference in Raleigh in November which was a new feature in the state work. This association has been represented at the last two State W. M. U. Conventions. The meetings were instructive and helpful and we trust the work, here, may be greatly strengthened by these contacts.

Our annual meeting was held in Sparta. The women of that fine new church proved their hospitality by their thoughtfulness of our every need and comfort and served a bountiful lunch. Our guest speakers, Mrs. D. W. Briggs of Raleigh and Mrs. E. C. James, of Elkin, laid on the hearts of those who heard them the need of obedience to our 1942 watchword, "Oh, send out Thy light and Thy truth."

Miss Myrtle Zentmeyer, field worker from Raleigh, spent several days here in August visiting each organization and delivering inspiring addresses. We sincerely believe she did some constructive work that will yield results in the future.

Doubtless through the coming years difficulties will loom up, but we must in Him be greater than the difficulties. With the world gastly with hate and destruction, we must reach across the barriers of war and give the light of the Living Christ to outstretched hands.

The missionary enterprize must needs go on. If uprooted in one field, it must be transplanted in virgin fields. Closed doors in Japan and countries of Europe mean open doors in South America and other lands.

A world in upheavel calls for a reconcillation of self, talents, time, and substance. May we pledge ourselves to a deeper personal consecration, to more comprehensive prayer life that His light may illuminate the world again.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. A. O. JOINES

The report of the resolution committee was made and was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved:

1. That each church seek to improve and extend its work in Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and in Evangelistic Meetings.

2. That each church endeaver to increase its giving for pastoral support and for missions.

3. That, regardless of how world conditions may effect us,

we shall do our best to carry on Gods work in our churches, in the Association, and in our Missionary Program.

By the Committee

The report on aged ministers which was made by W. H. Caldwell and discussed by A. O. Joines was adopted.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS

Psalms 71-9: Cast me not off in time of old age. Forsake me not when my strength faileth.

Those old ministers that have so faithfully labored before us for the Master, have reached the place in life where strength has failed them. They can no longer minister to the people.

Southern Baptist saw the need of taking care of this and they marked out a plan whereby they will be taken of. We as church people can have a part in this great cause by entering this plan. They need our help now so may we do something.

I was in need and ye visited me not.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. H. CALDWELL

The report on the Hospital made by Mrs. W. P. Maxwell was adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The last three years have been eventful in the expansion of the hospital. Three years ago the hospital had a bed capacity of 100 and by overcrowding, we were caring for about 4,000 patients per year.

Today, we have a modernly constructed and equiped hospital with a bed capacity of almost 10,000 patients annually, and now caring for about 650 patients per month. Owing to a shortage of nurses caused by war conditions, the hospital has been unable to open a few rooms.

We have this year not less than 2,500 service or free patients. This will represent, including hospital and medical service, about $250,000 in free service for this year.

We have a staff of 26 interns and about 100 doctors practicing in the hospital. In addition, it has the free service of the entire staff of the Medical School whenever desired for consultation and diagnosis. Every department is throughly organized to give the most efficient service possible.

The equipment, as well as the building, is entirely modern. The hospital recently aded $20,000 worth of new instruments to the operating rooms and $44,000 worth of X-Ray equipment, making an X-Ray department "None better in the South."

The hospital, in conjunction with the Medical School, has a floor-space of four acres and represents a value to the denomination of $2,000,000 with only a very small amount of indebtedness.

The purpose of the hospital shall remain as ever—to give hospital treatment to those who are unable to pay for same, educate nurses with Christian ideals, and at the sametime, maintain a standard of scientific efficiency" second to none in the country." It is the abiding purpose of the management that it

shall be definitely a Christian Institution with all that it implies.

The greatly expanded service which is growing more and more into every section of the state, of course, requires an increased support. This, we are glad to report, is growing year by year. In addition to the Mother's Day offering by the churches and Sunday Schools, which has increased in the last few years from $11,500 to about $38,000 this year, the hospital linens contributed by the W. M. U's. and other church agencies has increased year by year.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. P. MAXWELL

The report on Temperance, by G. R. Blackburn, was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Interperance is a great evil that should merit the disapproval of all Christian men and women. It is a fatal injury to the body and a curse to the soul.

Seeing and realizing that the liquor traffic is wrecking homes and blighting the lives of those who participate in the use of intoxicating drinks, we urge God's people to take a firm stand for Him and against this great evil. Whiskey would destroy the church if it could and the church of Christ could destroy this awful liquor traffic if it would.

While we are at war, let us not go down as other nations have in the past because of intemperance, but let us as Christians and as followers of the Living Christ free our boys in camp and the young people at home of this evil that they may in a better way protect from those who seek to destroy us. Wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

Respectfully submitted,
G. R. BLACKBURN

The committee on Time and Place of the next meeting gave their report which was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Place: Sparta Baptist Church, Sparta, N. C.

Time: Friday preceding the second Sunday in September, 1943.

Words of Respect by W. F. Doughton for those that have passed during the past year: F. Miller, Sowell Woodruff, C. L. Upchurch and Mattie Austin.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee desires to record our deep sense of the loss of one of its most honored and valued members in the deat of Brother Sowell Woodruff who served for many years faithfully and loyaly as a member of the committee and who for half a hundred years supported and furthered the work of this church and of this Association.

The Committee desires again to thank Secretary Huggins and the General State Mission Board for their interest and sup-

port in carrying forward the missionary work of the association and to express the hope that we may have their continued co-operation through the coming year. We need to plan our work now wisely and to carry on more effectively.

We desire heartly to commend these pastors and churches which have held Daily Vacation Bible Schools this year and we want to plan to enlarge this work for the year to come. Sunday School training courses for Sunday School teachers so as not to be neglected. We commend the effective and useful work of the Woman's Missionary Union and hope that the Young People's Training Union may be enlarged and strengthened. We are glad to report that each church in the Association has held Evangelistic meetings this year and are suggesting that each church shall do likewise in the coming year and that their services shall be prayerfully prepared and adequately brought to the attention of all the people and that we acknowledge our entire dependence upon the Holy Spirit for guidance and for all success which we hope to attain.

JOHN M. CHEEK
W. F. DOUGHTON
Executive Committee

Address of the afternoon, by Smith Hagaman, Supt. of N. C. Baptist Hospital. The address was very inspirational.

EVENING SESSION, 8:30 P. M.

In the absence of the Moderator, G. R. Blackburn acted. After song service, Willie Ham conducted devotionals, reading from Luke 6—46 to 49.

Sermon: by Rev. Ray T. Baker, reading from Revelations, 3rd Chapter, using as text Luke 24—5 and 6.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 10:00 A. M.

Session Theme: The Living Christ in Worship Services.

Boys Quartett from Orphanage Introduced: Each spoke briefly of his life at the orphanage, after which they rendered special selection "I Want My Life To Tell for Jesus."

Standing Committees were named: (See Committee)

Special Selection by Orphanage Quartett.

Introduction of Speaker of the Morning: Introduction by W. F. Doughton of I. G. Green, Supt. Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, who brought a most inspiring message; reading from Psalm 1, using as a text "He Shall Be Like a Tree."

Benediction Pronounced: by W. H. Caldwell.

The report on Orphanage, by Mrs. T. S. Moxley, report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE ORPHANAGE

Of all the objects that appeal to human sympathy and Christian love, none come so near being universal as that of the orphan child. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions and to keep oneself unspotted from the world." To be fatherless and motherless in childhood means that a living

soul must depend upon the love, help and sympathy of others.

Our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville and Kinston cares for about eight hundred of these orphan boys and girls. Under the leadership of Supt. I. G. Green these children are trained to go out in the world and take their places in a most efficient manner.

Last year the ladies of our Association filled around 100 dozen half-dozen jars of food for the orphanage, which were gladly received and the Association given credit for the amount. This year about the same number has been distributed and are soon to be collected to be taken to the Orphanage.

A number of our Sunday Schools make regular contributions to the Orphanage.

We therefore urge every Christian to give of their means and prayers to the great work and let us all renew our faith in helping the orphan children and giving them a chance in life.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. T. S. MOXLEY

IN MEMORIAM

Brother Sowell Woodruff was born March 25, 1863, departed this life January 1, 1942. He was converted and united by experience and baptism with Mt. Carmel Baptist Church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September 1891, where he remained a consistent and loyal member until death.

It is needless to say that Mt. Carmel Church feels a heavy loss in his passing. He served the church as a consecrated and devoted member for more than 50 years, and as clerk for nearly 16 years. He was a faithful attendant of the Alleghany Association, very seldom failing to attend every session. He served on the Executive Committee of the Association for several years, and has already been missed in this year's Associational meetings.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saveth the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

Written by,
F. W. ROYAL

CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work of the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution to the body these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Assocition shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, the Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bound and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention on making the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.

5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

Table 1. Church Membership, Etc., Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1942.

CHURCHES—Pastors and Post Offices	When Constituted?	Mem. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters (Gains)	Statements	Letters (Losses)	Erasures	Deaths	To. Present Mem.	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Taking Bap. Paper
Bellview—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.	1909	17	2	4	0			2	21	1	1	0
Chestnut Grove—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.		11	1						12	0	1	0
Laurel Springs—V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.	1891	76	0	0	0	1	0	0	75	1	2	5
Liberty—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.		52	0	0	0	3	0	0	49	1	1	0
Mt. Carmel—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.	1884	61	3	2	0	0	0	1	65	1	1	0
New Hope—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta, N. C.	1881	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	1	1	0
New River—A. G. Taylor, Independence, Va.	1939	19	1	0	0	0	1	0	19	1	1	0
Pine Fork—C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.	1898	29	4	3	2	0	0	0	38	2	0	0
Scottville—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta, N. C.	1925	52	0	1	0	0	0	0	59	2	1	2
Sparta—V. W. Sears, Sparta, N. C.	1885	110	2	1	1	3	0	0	111	1	2	10

Meeting Days—Bellview, 2nd Sun.; Chestnut Grove, 4th Sun.; Laurel Springs, 1st & 3rd Sun.; Liberty, 3rd Sun.; Mt. Carmel, 1st Sun.; New Hope, 2nd Sun.; New Hope, 2nd Sun.; New River, 3rd Sun.; Pine Fork, 1st Sun.; Scottville, 4th Sun.; Sparta, 2nd & 4th Sun, 1st & 3rd Eve.

TABLE II. Sunday Schools of Alleghany Baptist Association, State of N. C., Year Ending Sept. 1, 1942.

CHURCHES—Superintendents and Post Offices	Cradle Roll Under 3 Yrs.	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Int'mediates 13-16 Yrs.	Yg. People, 17-24 Yrs.	Adults, 25 Yrs., Up	Dept. Officers	To. Enrollment	Avg. Attendance	Baptisms from S. S.	Enrollment	Avg. Va. School At.	No. Depts.	Is S. S. Graded?
Bellview—Guy Burchette, Furches, N. C.	1	2	6	13	5	18	9	0	54	34	1		0	0	No
Chestnut Grove—Leff Edwards, Sparta, N. C.	6	0	0	6	10	12	0	0	34	17	0		0	0	No
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.	3	5	5	10	10	4	25	2	68	29	0	39	31	4	No
Liberty—Eva Hoppers, Whitehead, N. C.	0	0	0	6	12	0	0		29	20	0	25	20	3	No
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Cherry Lane, N. C.										30	2				No
New Hope— NO REPORT															
New River—Oscar Shumate, Sparta, N. C.	1	9	0	11	0	2	25	4	52	22	0				No
Pine Fork—Willie Ham, Laurel Springs, N. C.	3	2	4	3	6	15	15	0	48	22	0				No
Scottville—Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville, N. C.	4	3	10	9	10	12	12	6	66	34	0	34	27	4	Yes
Sparta—N. D. Fox, Sparta, N. C.	6	6	5	8	11	12	44	3	93	46	1	59	39	4	Yes

Extension Dept.—Laurel Springs, 4; Liberty, 11; Teachers holding Diplomas—Laurel Springs, 2.

TABLE IV. W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts—Men's Brotherhoods Baptist Assn, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1942

CHURCHES—Presidents of W. M. S. and Post Offices	No. W. M. S.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	To. W. M. S. Org'zations	W. M. S. Members	G. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	To. Members Enrolled	To. in Mission Study	W. M. U. Contributions (Local)	W. M. U. Contributions (Missions)
Bellview											
Chestnut Grove											
Laurel Springs—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs	1	1	1	4	10	5	10	33	10		$124.00
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	1				17			17		$ 3.50	$ 38.99
Mt. Carmel											
New Hope											
New River											
Pine Fork											
Scottville—Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville	1				20						$ 6 40
Sparta—Mrs. V. W. Sears, Sparta	1	1	1	3	22	12	8	42	26	$50.00	$116.49

Number of R. A.'s—Laurel Springs, 1; R. A.'s Members—Laurel Springs, 8.

TABLE V. Church Property of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1942.

CHURCHES—Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own House of Worship?	When Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Dept. Assem. Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value of Church	Value Pastor's Home	To. Property Value	Insurance Carried
Bellview—Mrs. W. A. Atwood, Furches	Yes	1912	Wood	250	1	0	0	$ 700	1700	$ 2400	$ 0
Chestnut Grove—Wayne Edwards, Sparta	Yes	1939	Brick	250	1	0	0	1500	1700	3200	0
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	Yes	1932	Brick	350	4			3000	2500	5500	1500
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1			1600	1700	3300	0
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Cherry Lane	Yes	1908	Wood	300	1			1000	1700	2700	0
New Hope—Donna C. Jones, Furches	Yes	1884	Wood	300	1			1600		1600	
New River—Homer C. Rector, Sparta	No	USE SCHOOL BUILDING									
Pine Fork—Willie M. Ham, Laurel Springs	Yes	1898	Wood	300	1	0	0	1500		1500	
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nucholls, Furches	Yes	1925	Wood	300	4		3	1500		1500	
Sparta—Mrs. Ben G. Reeves, Sparta	Yes	1940	Brick	400	10	3	10	12500	2500	15000	6500

Indebtedness on All Church Property—Sparta, $60.36.

TABLE VI. Gifts for Local Church Work of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1942.

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurer and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., etc.	For Printing Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Total All Purposes	Pledged to Cooperative Program
Bellview—Mrs. W. A. Atwood, Furches	70.62	13.16	50.00		4.21	2.10		139.09	10.00
Chestnut Grove—No name given	45.00			1.25	3.50			49.75	10.00
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	500.00	45.00	11.00	36.00	23.13	8.40	34.50	658.00	100.
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	126.72		.75	29.18	5.69	4.16		166.50	
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Cherry Lane	68.39	25.00	20.00	1.44	1.83	3.00		78.86	
New Hope—Donna C. Jones, Furches	42.00	5.00	60.00			1.50		108.50	
New River—Charlie Pollard, Sparta	40.00				3.00	1.00		124.00	10.00
Pine Fork—No name given.	115.86	35.00		16.82	3.74	3.00		172.42	
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville	128.30			14.00	19.70	3.00		165.00	
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	660.00	12.01	476.72	156.02	51.46	5.00		1361.21	

Help given to local poor — New River, $50.00.

Table VII. Gifts for Missions, Education and all Benevolences, Alleghany Bap. Ass'n, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1942.

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Total to Co-op. Program	Spe. to State Missions	Special to Home Mis.	Special to For. Missions	Spe. to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Other Objects	To. for Missions, etc.	Grand Total—All Purposes
Bellview—Mrs. W. A. Atwood, Furches						2.23			
Chestnut Grove—No name given.	3.10	3.00				1.00		7.10	56.85
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	102.38	51.22	62.00	62.00	50.00	7.00	10.40	369.00	1033.63
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	31.94		1.50		39.90	7.40	15.25	166.50	272.49
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Cherry Lane	4.00				36.00	18.50		58.50	137.36
New Hope—Donna C. Jones, Furches	2.25	6.25				4.00		12.50	121.00
New River—Charlie Pollard, Sparta					21.00			21.00	181.00
Pine Fork—		1.92			36.00	7.00		49.92	222.34
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville	15.87	11.00			3.00	2.00	1.80	33.60	198.60
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	71.06	14.63	44.85	10.85	24.53	11.22	4.90	215.88	1577.09

Special to Schools and Colleges—Sparta, $2.00; Hundred Thousand Club—Laurel Springs, $24.00; Liberty, $1.00; Sparta, $29.00.

Statistical Report of the Churches in Alleghany Association for Associational Year Ending Sept. 1, 1942

Churches, Pastors and Post Offices	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	To. Den. Con'bptions	Total Local Church	Contributions Grand Total
Bellview—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	2	21	54	2.23	139.09	141.32
Chestnut Grove—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1	12	34	7.10	49.75	56.85
Laurel Springs—V. W. Sears, Sparta		75	68	369.00	664.63	1033.63
Liberty—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	0	49	29	105.99	166.50	272.49
Mt. Carmel—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	3	65		58.50	78.86	137.36
New Hope—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	0	26	0	12.50	108.50	121.00
New River—A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	1	19	52	21.00	143.00	164.00
Pine Fork—C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.	4	38	48	49.92	172.42	222.34
Scottville—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	6	59	66	33.60	165.00	198.60
Sparta—V. W. Sears, Sparta	2	111	93	215.88	1361.21	1577.09

S. S. Supts. and Post Offices—Bellview, Guy Burchett, Furches; Chestnut Grove, Leff Edwards, Sparta; Laurel Springs, Van Miller, Laurel Springs; Liberty, Eva Hoppers, Whitehead; Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royall, Cherry Lane; New River, Oscar Shumate, Sparta; Pine Fork, Willie Ham, Laurel Springs; Scottville, Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville; Sparta, N. D. Fox, Sparta.

Laurel Springs, N.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Alleghany Baptist Association

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

SPARTA BAPTIST CHURCH

SPARTA, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 11, 12, 1943

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Next Session Will Be Held With Mt. Carmel Church

Cherry Lane, N. C.

(Near Highway No. 21, 10 Miles South Of Sparta, N. C.)

September 9, 10, 1944

INTRODUCTORY SERMON BY

REV. L. E. SPARKS

Directory Of Association

John M. Cheek, Moderator ---------- Sparta, N. C.

Dr. T. Roy Burgiss, Vice-Moderator ---------- Sparta, N. C.

Van Miller, Clerk and Treasurer -------- Laurel Springs, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. F. Doughton, Chairman ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.

J. McD. Wagoner ---------- Whitehead, N. C.

Dr. N. D. Fox ---------- Sparta, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Religious Literature**—Mrs. Hugh Choate, Mrs. F. W. Royal, and Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls.

2. **Representative of Biblical Recorder**—Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

3. **Ministerial Relief and Annuity**—Rev. R. L. West, Rev. G. R. Blackburn, and Rev. Willie Ham.

4. **Orphanage**—Mrs. Van Miller, Mrs. C. A. Reeves, and Mrs. Wiley McMillan.

5. **Hospital**—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Mrs. W. P. Maxwell, and Mrs. Lella Greene Wagoner.

6. **Christian Education**—A. O. Joines, J. K. Blum and Miss Ivy Grace Doughton.

7. **Temperance**—Mrs. J. T. Fender, Mrs. D. J. Jones, and Mrs. Sam Porter.

8. **Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. Ben G. Reeves, Mrs. Glenn Richardson and Mrs. W. A. Atwood.

9. **Missions: (Foreign, Home, State)**—Mrs. R. L. West, Mrs. F. Miller, and Mrs. W. B. Estep.

10. **Training Union**—Miss Hazel Lee Taylor, Tom G. Greene, and Miss Patsy Roy Burgiss.

11. **Sunday Schools**—T. C. Osborne, Mrs. Leff Edwards, and Mrs. Alice Caudill.

12. **Director Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. A. O. Joines.

13. **Whitehead Parsonage**—J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek, and Enoch Ham.

RESIDENT MINISTERS

Richard L. West ---------- Sparta, N. C.

W. H. Caldwell ---------- Sparta, N. C.

G. R. Blackburn ---------- Whitehead, N. C.

William Ham ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.

Proceedings

The forty-sixth annual session of the Alleghany Baptist Association met with the Sparta Baptist Church on September 11th at 10 A. M.

The congregation joined heartily in singing the hymn, "How Firm A Foundation", after which W. F. Doughton conducted the devotional.

The Moderator, F. W. Royal, asked for Roll Call and report of churches:

Belview Church reported by G. R. Blackburn; Chestnut Grove by G. R. Blackburn; Laurel Springs by W. F. Doughton; Liberty by Mrs. Mc D. Wagoner; Mount Carmel by G. R. Blackburn; New Hope by W. H. Caldwell; New River—no report; Pine Fork by W. M. Ham; Scottville by W. H. Caldwell; Sparta by R. L. West.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Nomination Committee: J. M. Cheek, Chairman; J. McD. Wagoner, D. J. Jones.

Committee on Committees: Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Chairman; U. S. Myers, R. A. Wyatt.

Visitors of other Associations recognized and welcomed:

J. C. Canipe, of the Three Forks Association, Watauga County; W. T. Whittington—Lebanon Association, Damascus, Va.; Marvian Lyon—Stone Mountain Association; Mrs. I. G. Greer, of Thomasville.

The Report on Religious Literature was discussed by R. L. West. The following report was given by Mrs. R. E. Richardson and adopted:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

We are very happy to be able to give a good report on the Biblical Recorder this year. The circulation of the paper since August, 1942, has increased rapidly. The present circulation approximates 18,000, which means a net gain since last August of more than 7,000. For this increase we are profoundly grateful to God and to the pastors and leaders of North Carolina Baptists who have supported the paper enthusiastically and have done what they could to get into the homes of the people. We want to express our appreciation to General Secretary M. A. Huggins and all the State workers for the great help which they have rendered.

The paper has also shown good progress financially. The State Convention very generously agreed to grant to the Recorder a thousand dollars a month, but we are happy to report that we have had to call on the Convention for not more than fifty per cent of this amount, practically all of which has been used to pay for paper on which the Recorder is printed. We should like very much for the Recorder to be entirely self-supporting; but we are getting out such a high quality paper, and

in many cases sending it to the people for less than cost, that it is rather difficult to do this. However, the important thing is to get out a good wholesome paper and to get it into the homes of our Baptist people.

The Recorder has three simple subscription plans: $2.00 a year for individual subscriptions; $1.50 a year for clubs—a minimum of at least three subscriptions is required for every church reporting less than a hundred members, and five subscriptions for every church reporting more than a hundred members; $1.20 a year for the budget or family paln—one subscription for each active, resident church family is required. We hope that pastors, superintendents, deacons, Training Union, and W. M. U. leaders will do what they can to encourage a good club in every Baptist church, or, better still, to persuade the churches to inaugurate the budget plan.

Our aim is to make the Biblical Recorder both a good, wholesome, attractive weekly that will be of interest and help to the whole family circle and a solid, substantial denominational journal; and we feel, since it is the organ of our Baptist State Convention and because of the service it will render, that it ought to be in every North Carolina Baptist home. We hope our Baptist people will remember us constantly in prayer and let us hear from them if they have any material or suggestions for the good of the paper, or if we can be of any service to them. One of the great needs for our people is that they be informed, trained, and enlisted in the whole program of the church and the Kingdom of God; and we feel that the Biblical Recorder is of immense value in this great cause. We want to be a comrade and helper to every Baptist home and church in North Carolina and do what we can for the support of every cause dear to the hearts of our people. We would follow the injunction of Paul to Timothy: "Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth."

By MRS. R. E. RICHARDSON

Smith Hagaman, General Superintendent of the Baptist Hospital was recognized.

Report of Executive Committee was made by W. F. Doughton and report was adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Committee has endeavered to see that all the churches of the Association were supplied with pastors and helped obtain aid for the pastors that did not get sufficient support from the churches they were serving.

The parsonage at Sparta has been sold and the erection of a more convenient and better one is under construction near the church.

We are not satisfied with the progress of our work here in the county, and that greater interest and prayers that more peo-

ple be reached. Also that other fields should be occupied.

The harvest is ripe and who will go and reap them?

W. F. DOUGHTON,
For Committee

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Time: Saturday before the second Sunday in September, 1944.

Place: Mt. Carmel Church near Cherry Lane, N. C.

Preacher: Reverend L. E. Sparks.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. W. M. HAMM
MR. W. F. DOUGHTON
MRS. Mc. D. WAGONER,
Committee

On motion it is ordered that future sessions of the Association shall be held on Saturday and Sunday following the first Saturday in September of each year.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Committee of Thanks of the Alleghany Association, extend our sincere gratitude to the members and friends of the Sparta Baptist Church for their gracious hospitality and the generous manner in which they entertained the Association.

MRS. E. E. CAUDILL
MRS. BEN REEVES
MRS. CORA DANCY, Committee

Song, "Majestic Sweetness."

Rev. W. T. Whittington brought a very interesting and inspiring message using as subject, "Staying in our Places", and closed with the benediction.

Lunch followed.

AFTERNOON SESSION: 1:00 P. M.

Devotional by W. H. Caldwell, reading from 13th Chapter of Mark.

The following report of Orphanage was adopted:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

In the effort to build a great national defense, the government, the church, and welfare agencies should not lose sight of those things we are trying to defend. If we do not make this country a safe place for childhood, our defense program will be in vain, for

"Why build the nation glorious
If the child unbuilded goes?
In vain we build our cities,
If the child unbuilded goes."

We have the best example of Christian training in childhood and on through the years in our own Baptist Orphanage at

Thomasville, and Kennedy Home, which has given a home to homeless children for about fifty-nine years.

It is gratifying to know that thousands of children, who have been left without a mother's care, are taken to this Christian environment.

Our hearts should be lifted often in prayer to God for those who take a part in everything that makes these homes possible, and especially to the Superintendent who is doing such outstanding work leading this great family of children to nobler and better things. This good work will go on, and on, and on, with such leadership. Will you have a part in it? Can I say that I have a part in it?

Most of the Sunday schools in our Association contribute once a month and a Thanksgiving offering is taken.

Due to the late freeze in the mountains, most of the fruit was killed and our women decided that they would not be able to fill the usual one hundred jars for the Orphanage. We have seventy-five dozen which we hope will be filled at an early date. May we be reminded as we think about our orphan children, that

Not what we get,
But what we give;
Make up our treasurys
While we live.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. VAN MILLER

Discussion by Dr. I. G. Greer, using as subject, "Making the Right Kind of Men and Women."

The report of Nominating Committe was given and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee make this majority report:

For Moderator ---------- John M. Cheek
For Vice-Moderator ---------- Dr. T. R. Burgiss
For Clerk and Treasurer ---------- Van Miller

We unanimously nominate for the Executive Committee, the following: W. F. Doughton, J. McD. Wagoner, and Dr. N. D. Fox.

The report of Hospital was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF HOSPITAL

The Baptist Hospital has completed a full year with its enlarged facilities. Instead of caring for 4,000 patients, as formerly, we have had 12,000 the past year, 1942. It is again becoming increasingly difficult to provide for the growing numbers of sick who come for treatment—an average of 33 each day.

Of these, 12,000 patients who were treated last year, 4 000 were service patients; that is, were unable to pay a hospital bill. These are the sick for whom our Mother's Day Offering is made. It is also interesting to note that 4,000 of this 12,000 patients were mothers who had, here and there in our state, 12,000 chil-

dren waiting anxiously for her return. We had also about 175 ministers, returned missionaries, ministerial students and children from our orphanage for whom no charge was made.

The Hospital Training School for Nurses has 116 students in training, 51 staff and graduate nurses, with an addition of 22 nurses and Red Cross Aids, making a nursing staff of 189.

It is one of the functions of the Baptist Hospital to educate as many nurses as possible with the Christian ideal of service. These are always selected so as to represent as nearly as possible every section of our state.

Although quite a number of medical staff are constantly going into the service of our country, we still have a staff of about 75 doctors, almost all of whom are specialists in the several fields of medicine and surgery.

These two institutions—Hospital and Medical School—represent a money value to the denomination of $2,000,000.

It is with a just pride, we trust, that the American Medical Association has given the Baptist Hospital the highest rating of any hospital in the entire south, save one.

The hospital desires to express to the members of this Association their appreciation for the best Mother's Day offering ever, and also to the W. M. U.'s and other church agencies this same appreciation for their generous contributions of hospital linen.

This hospital was built and has operated for these 20 years with one great fundamental purpose: that it shall be an institution through which the half million Baptists of our state may render a definite Christian Service to sick and suffering humanity who could not, in most instances, have hospital treatment otherwise. It is the purpose of the denomination and the management that it shall forever remain true to this one purpose in addition to its wider service.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. T. S. MOXLEY, Chairman

Discussion by Dr. Hagaman.

Report of Cooperative program was given and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COOPERATIVE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

In Christian work, as in many other phases of life, one grows most and develops most rapidly when others are made a part of that program. The Baptist of Alleghany County have received many benefits from the proceeds of the cooperative program. The program is a form of missionary work in which the strong help the weak. But in order to become strong in giving even the weak churches must set up a scheme of contributing to the cooperative work.

In the past, the Alleghany Association has usually received more from the cooperative program than we have given. Let us hope and pray that we may soon become strong enough to

stand on our own feet and also help others in Christian work.

Each church in the Association has a goal to meet. If the churches will make every attempt to meet the goal each year they will find that in many instances they can increase that amount for the next year.

The committee this year has not contacted every member of the Association, but reminders have been sent to the various churches calling attention to this worthwhile program.

Christians who have the love of their fellow-man in their hearts always want to tell others. The cooperative program is one way in which all can share in helping others. Let our aim for next year be that every church meet its goal with every Baptist contributing according to the means he has.

BY THE COMMITTEE

Discussion by Rev. J. C. Canipe.

Report of Woman's Missionary Union, by Mrs. Ben Reeves, was adopted. Moved and seconded that this constitution of Woman's Missionary Union be printed in this year's minutes.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

In this vastly changed and rapidly changing world, which has brought both blessings and curses to humanity, the women of Alleghany Woman's Missionary Union have been ever mindful of the fact that we have an unchanging task—the spreading of the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people.

Since our nation is engaged in this world war, many adjustments have been necessary. With dozens of families moving to defense work, we have lost slightly in regular attendance, but not in our gifts.

For several years, many of the societies have been members of the Hundred Thousand Club. Through special offerings we have given to State, Home, and Foreign Missions. Gifts have been sent to the Cooperative Program and to the various causes fostered by our organization.

By our attendance to our divisional meetings and at the State W. M. U. convention, our vision has been broadened, which has caused us to realize that we are a small but necessary part of a world-wide organization united in a great cause.

Our annual meeting was held in June at Liberty. A well arranged program was presented with splendid attendance, including all resident pastors of the Association.

At this meeting a constitution was presented and adopted. It was requested by the assembled body that this constitution be printed in the Alleghany Associational Minutes this year to be used as a guide in the future years.

We were privileged to have with us our state president, Mrs. J. S. Farmer, of Raleigh. She is very capable and her address was challenging and stimulating.

As we continue to labor for Him, our prayer is, "That all

the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the Lord, even thou only". (Isiah 37:20 v.).

MRS.BEN G. REEVES
MRS. GLENN RICHARDSON

Report of Aged Ministers or Ministers' Annuity Plan:

REPORT OF AGED MINISTERS

The Southern Baptists saw the great need of the aged ministers who give their lives for the welfare of the Lord's people and the love of mankind. The church can have part in helping care for the helpless servant of God whose prayer is "Cast me not off in time of old age. Forsake me not when my strength faileth"—Psalm 71:9.

They need our help now. So may we do something to help and comfort them in their last days.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. W. M. HAMM

Discussion by R. L. West.
Christian Education, discussed by Rev. R. L. West.

Report of Committee on Time and Place and Preacher. The report was adopted.

SATURDAY EVENING: 8:00 P. M.

Devotionals by Rev. R. L. West.

The message of the evening was brought by C. H. McKnight, using as a text, Romans 1:14.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 — 10:00 A. M.

Song, "He Leadeth Me."
Report of Resolutions Committee—report adopted.
Report of Young People's Union—Discussion by Rev. R. L. West.
Report on Sunday School was given and discussed by T. C. Osborne.
Song, "Come Thy Fount of Every Blessing."
Devotional by R. L. West, reading from Psalms.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Among Southern Baptists, Christian Education has always occupied a large field and has rendered to the denomination a great contribution.

Christian Education is carried forward in our denomination by Baptist schools. There never was a greater need for Christian leaders and statesmen than today.

Southern Baptists have 67 colleges and Universities. Also theological schools, these schools are worthy of our support, they are doing a great work.

MRS. REECE MILLER

REPORT ON MISSIONS

We have State, Home, and Foreign missions for convenience, but our supreme need of missions is winning souls to Christ.

Salvation is an individual matter.

North Carolina has a greater opportunity than ever before to win people to Christ with our added population in camps and defense plants, and what is true of North Carolina is true of all the states. We are truly thankful that our debt is being paid through the Hundred Thousand Clubs. At one time, this debt was $6,500,000.00. Now it is not more than $250,000.00. We hope to be out of debt this year. How nice it would be if we could have the interest money we are paying for debts, to send missionaries now where it is permissible for them to go.

We must press forward in the Kingdom work as our soldiers are doing at the battle front. We must carry our cargo and make our port.

Our mission program cannot and will not fail.

Again we hear our Master say, "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. A. REEVES

Sermon by Rev. H. J. Ford, of Wilkesboro, N. C. Reading from Matthew 20:20-28, using as a subject, "Real Greatness."

RECOMMENDATION

We, the Alleghany Baptist Association, recommend the appointment of Dr. N. D. Fox, as a member of the Baptist State Board for the coming two years' term.

CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work of the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution to the body these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, the Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destiution in the bound and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention on making the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.
5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

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CONSTITUTION
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ALLEGHANY ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE

We, the women of the Baptist Churches of Alleghany Association, desirous of stimulating the missionary spirit and grace of giving among the women and young people of the churches, and of aiding in the collection of funds for missionary purposes to be distributed by the State and Southern Woman's Missionary Union, the General Board of the State, and Southern Baptist Convention adopt the following constitution:

ARTICLE I
NAME

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Missionary Union of Alleghany Association, auxiliary to the Alleghany Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II
OBJECT

The object of this organization shall be three-fold:

(1) To stimulate a broader Christian development on the part of the women and young people of the Association, to train and enlist all in Christian service, especially soul winning.

(2) To receive and distribute missionary information, to provide missionary organization among women, young people and children.

(3) To encourage the earnest cooperation of women and young people and junior organizations in systematic contribution of time and money, at home and abroad.

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Union shall be composed of Missionary Societies and Young Woman's Auxiliaries, connected with the churches in Alleghany Association.

ARTICLE IV
OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers shall be a Superintendent, an assistant Superintendent, a Young People's Leader, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and Pianist. (Secretary-Treasurer may be held as one office. Pianist is optional.)

Section 2. There shall be six chairmen of Departmental Work: Mission Study, Community Missions, Stewardship, Margaret Fund, Training School, and Literature.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the officers, and chairman of Departmental work.

ELECTION

Section 4. These officers shall be elected by the body at the annual meeting. Preferably after being named by nominating committee that has been selected by the Executive Committee at least a month prior to the annual meeting. This committee should meet as soon as possible, and as many times as necessary to complete list of officers before annual meeting, and report to annual meeting.

ARTICLE V
ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

The Associational meeting shall be held annually or at such time and place as the Union decides. It shall be opened and closed with religious exercises, present missionary program, transact business, and hear reports of officers and committees of the organization.

ARTICLE VI

The program shall be arranged by the Superintendent of the Association with the aid of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII

This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the annual meeting, provided, said amendment has been submitted in writing, signed by at least two members, to the Superintendent two months previous to the action thereon.

BY LAWS

A. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. **Superintendent** — The Superintendent shall preside at the Associational and Executive Committee meetings; shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for; shall cooperate with

local committee in arranging for annual meeting; shall advance in every way possible in the work of the Association; and shall have a general supervisor of all the work of the Associational Union. She shall keep in touch with the Societies by visiting, correspondence, and by sending literature; shall endeavor with the aid of her associates, to organize a W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., Sunbeam Band and Chapter of R. A.'s in every church of the Association. She shall send quarterly and annual reports to the State Executive Committee and Divisional Superintendent, and prepare a comprehensive report of the year's work for the annual meeting. She should attend, if possible, the Divisional Meetings and State W. M. U. Conventions and Associational Conference held at this time. She should also attend the General Alleghany Baptist Association and feel responsible that a report of W. M. U. is given and recorded in the minutes. She shall also endeavor to keep her associational work in line with the State and Southern W. M. U.

2. **Assistant Superintendent**—The assistant Superintendent shall preside at Associational and Executive Meetings in the absence or disability of the Superintendent, and assist in advancing all the work of the Associational Union.

3. **Young People's Leader**—The Young People's Leader shall have general oversight of the Junior organizations, striving to organize a Y. W. A., a R. A., a G. A. and Sunbeam Band in each church of the Association, visiting and helping foster in every way said organizations. She shall submit quarterly and annual reports to the Superintendent and to the State Young People's Secretary. She shall have charge of the Young People's Hour at the Associational Meeting.

4. **Secretary**—It will be the duty of the secretary to keep an accurate record of annual and Executive Committee Meetings; notify committees of their appointment and perform any other duties generally imposed on this officer.

5. **Treasurer**—The treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all money passing through her hands and shall make a report of same to the Associational Union.

6. **Mission Study Chairman**—The Mission Study Chairman shall promote Mission Study in various churches of the Associations, endeavoring to reach the Societies through their Mission Study Chairman. She shall receive reports of the number of classes held, enrollment, and number of awards given in each organization submitting her report at the Associational Meeting. She shall also make reports to Divisional Chairman of Mission Study, and to the State Chairman.

7. **Stewardship Chairman**—It shall be the duty of the Stewardship Chairman to promote the teaching of stewardship in its fullest sense in the Missionary Societies of all grades in the Association following the plan outlined by our State and Southwide W. M. U. Stewardship Chairman. Reports should be made quarterly and annually to Division and State Chairman.

8. **Community Missions**—The Community Missions Chairman shall urge cooperation with the Community Missions plans of the State and Southern Community Missions Chairman in organizing and directing the community missions work, in an effort to reach the oppressed and unsaved. She shall present this by talk, playlet, or conference whenever possible, and make an annual report at the Associational Meeting and send reports to Divisional and State Chairman.

9. **Margaret Fund Chairman**—It shall be the duty of the Margaret Fund Chairman to encourage the societies to give through the Annie W. Armstrong offering in March and to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering in December, to provide scholarships for missionary childrens' education in the homeland. She should keep in touch with the State Margaret Fund Chairman and cooperate in every possible way she suggests. She shall receive the Burney Gift from the Societies at the annual Associational Meeting and forward same to state headquarters.

10. **Training School Chairman**—Training School Chairman can stress various ways in supporting this most worthy institution. She should urge liberal offering to the Heck Memorial offering and encourage programs on this cause.

11. **Literature Chairman**—The Literature Chairman should urge subscribers to various Baptist papers and magazines and encourage reading more widely. She should take subscriptions for their periodicals at the annual meeting.

12. **Executive Committee**—It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to carry out plans of W. M. U. and to transact all business between sessions of W. M. U. It shall meet at least annually and as many additional times as the Superintendent of the Association shall deem necessary. Five members shall constitute a quorum. When a vacancy occurs the Executive Committee shall be empowered to fill such vacancy for the remainder of the time unexpired. This Committee shall name a month prior to Annual Meeting a Committee of three (3) to nominate officers at Annual Meeting.

B. ASSOCIATIONAL EXPENSES

The expenses of Associational work shall be provided for by an annual contribution of not more than fifty cents per member, from each society, same to be known as Associational Progress Fund.

C. COMMITTEES

The Superintendent shall appoint Committees on Time and Place and Resolutions. All of these committees shall be composed of three members each, and shall report during the session.

This Constitution was written by Mrs. A. O. Joines, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent; Miss Ivy Grace Doughton, Associational W. M. U. Young People's Leader, and others.

Table 1. Church Membership, Etc., Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1943

CHURCHES—Pastors and Post Offices	When Constituted?	Mem. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters (Gains)	Statements	Letters (Losses)	Deaths	To. Present Mem.	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Taking Bap. Paper
Bellview—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1909	17						17		1	
Chestnut Grove—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1897	12	9	2	1			24	1	1	
Laurel Springs—R. L. West, Sparta	1891	77	1			2		76	1	2	2
Liberty—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1886	44						44	1		7
Mt. Carmel—G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1884	65				3	2	60	1	1	
New Hope—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	1881	26						26	1	1	
New River	1939										
Pine Fork—C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.	1898	37		2		1	1	38	1	1	
Scottville—W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	1925	59	8	1				68	1		
Sparta—R. L. West, Sparta	1884	111	8	9		3	1	124		2	10

Meeting Days—Bellview, 2nd Sun; Chestnut Grove, 4th Sun. A. M.; Laurel Springs, 4th Sun. A. M., 2nd Sun. P. M.; Liberty, 3rd Sun. A. M.; Mt. Carmel, 1st Sun. A. M.; New Hope, 2nd Sun. P. M.; Pine Fork, 3rd Sun. P. M.; Scottville, 4th Sun. A. M.; Sparta, 1st, 2nd, 3rd A. M.

TABLE II. Sunday Schools of Alleghany Baptist Association, State of N. C., Year Ending Sept. 1, 1943.

CHURCHES—Superintendents and Post Offices	Cradle Roll Under 3 Yrs.	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Int'mediates 13-16 Yrs.	Yg. People, 17-24 Yrs.	Adults, 25 Yrs. Up	Dept. Officers	To. Enrollment	Avg. Attendance	No. Dept. Va. School	Avg. Attendance Va. Sch.	Enrollment Va. School	Is the School Graded
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	1	3	6	13	5	18	19		60	35				No
Chestnut Grove—Mrs. S. L. Perry, Sparta	5	10			20		28		63	24				No
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	6	5	4	8	8		20		57	25	4	35	32	No
Liberty—Mrs. Odell Crouse, Whitehead	3			7	8		10		28	25	4	30	25	No
Mt. Carmel—Cleo Crouse, Cherry Lane		10		15			20	3	48	25				No
New Hope—No Report														
New River—Oscar Shumate, Sparta														
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs	4	2	2	3	7	10	12	3	43	15				No
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville	1		3	8	10	10	8	6	46	25	4	19	17	No
Sparta—Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta		7	9	11		9	45	3	84	39	4	36	28	Yes

Extension Dept.—Laurel Springs, 6; Baptisms from Sunday Schools, Laurel Springs, 1.

TABLE IV. W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts—Men's Brotherhoods, Baptist Ass'n, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1943

CHURCHES—Presidents of W. M. S. and Post Offices	No. W. M. S.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	To. W. M. S. Org'zations	W. M. S. Members	G. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	To. Members Enrolled	W. M. U. Contributions (Local)	W. M. U. Contributions (Missions)
Bellview										
Chestnut Grove										
Laurel Springs—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs	1	1	1	4	12	5	6	29		$92.80
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	1									$31.12
Mt. Carmel										
New Hope										
New River										
Pine Fork										
Scottville—Mrs. H. L. Jones, Scottville	1							15		$ 7.90
Sparta—Mrs. R. L. West, Sparta	1								$38.76	$43.07

Number of R. A.'s—Laurel Springs, 1; R. A. Members—Laurel Springs, 6.

TABLE VI. Church Property of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1943.

CHURCHES—Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own House of Worship?	When Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Dept. Assem. Rooms	Value of Church	Value Pastor's Home	To. Property Value	Insurance Carried
Bellview—C. E. Woodie, Furches	Yes	1909	Wood	200	1		$ 800	$1700	$ 2500	
Chestnut Grove—Wayne Edwards, Sparta	Yes	1939	Brick	250	1	1	1500	1700	3200	
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	Yes	1932	Brick	300	4		3500		3500	2000
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1	1	1600	1700	3300	
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Cherry Lane	Yes	1908	Wood	300	1	1	1000		1000	
New Hope—Donna Jones, Furches	Yes	1884	Wood	250	1		1600		1600	
New River—Homer C. Rector, Sparta	Yes	1943	Stone	200	3		1500		1500	
Pine Fork—W. M. Ham, Laurel Springs	Yes	1898	Wood	250	1	1	1500		1500	
Scottville—Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville	Yes	1925	Wood	300	4	3	1500		1500	
Sparta—Mrs. Ben Reeves, Sparta	Yes	1940	Brick	400	10	3	12775	2800	15575	6500

TABLE VII. Gifts for Local Church Work of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1943

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurer and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., etc.	For Printing Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Total All Purposes
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	39.20		13.50				52.70
Chestnut Grove—Lena Edwards, Sparta	77.24		4.00	2.80	2.00		86.04
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	246.31	154.69	25.00	22.00	14.00		461.52
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	70.42	9.65	10.75	7.00	4.13		100.95
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Devotion	54.47	25.00	4.96				84.43
New Hope—Donna Jones, Furches	50.00	28.86			2.00		80.86
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta	40.00			1.97			41.97
Pine Fork—W. M. Ham, Laurel Springs	31.00	25.00	11.00	3.00	3.00	3.50	76.50
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville	117.62		16.80	14.70	3.00		152.12
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	1,075.35	40.00	194.58	54.37	5.00		1,727.85

Other Salaries—Laurel Springs, $2.50; Building and Repairs—Sparta, $$273.55; Church Debt and Interest—Sparta, $85.00; Value Food, Clothing given to Orphanage—Bellview, $3.00.

Table VIII. Gifts for Missions, Education and all Benevolences, Alleghany Bap. Ass'n, Year Ending Sept. 1, 1943

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Total to Co-op. Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to For. Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Other Objects	To. for Missions, Etc.	Grand Total—All Purposes
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches									
Chestnut Grove—Lena Edwards, Sparta	13.00				5.00	2.00		20.00	106.04
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	94.79	18.61			51.64	10.73	34.00	209.77	671.29
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	25.39	2.00	10.18		30.75	27.00		101.64	202.59
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Devotion	2.85				36.00	18.25		57.10	141.53
New Hope—Donna Jones, Furches	8.45							8.45	89.31
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta								41.97	41.97
Pine Fork—W. M. Ham, Laurel Springs					36.00	6.00	13.00	55.00	131.50
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville	12.45				2.60	13.50		31.55	183.67
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	5.33	10.97	6.00	2.00	36.31	3.25	44.30	151.66	1,879.51

Special to Associational Missions—Liberty, $3.00; Special to Schools and Colleges—Scottville, $3.00; Special to Theological Seminaries—Liberty, $3.32; Sparta, $1.51; Special to Ministers' Relief—Sparta, $9.99; Hundred Thousand Club—Sparta, $32.00.

Statistical Report of the Churches in Alleghany Association for Associational Year Ending Sept. 1, 1943

Churches, Pastors and Post Offices	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	To. Dem. Contritions	Total Local Church	Grand Total Contributions
Bellview—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead		17	60		52.70	52.70
Chestnut Grove—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	9	24	63	20.00	86.04	106.04
Laurel Springs—Rev. R. L. West, Sparta	1	78	52	209.77	461.52	671.29
Liberty—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead		44	28	73.64	100.95	174.59
Mt. Carmel—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead		60	48	57.10	84.43	141.53
New Hope—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta		26	30	8.45	79.86	88.31
New River—Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	2	21	55	26.28		
Pine Fork—Rev. C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.		38	43	55.00	76.50	131.50
Scottville—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	8	68	46	31.55	152.12	183.67
Sparta—Rev. R. L. West, Sparta	8	124	84	151.66	1727.85	1879.51

S. S. Supts. and Post Offices—Bellview, C. E. Jones, Furches; Chestnut Grove, Mrs. S. L. Perry, Sparta; Laurel Springs, Van Miller, Laurel Springs; Liberty, Mrs. Odell Crouse, Whitehead; Mt. Carmel, Cleo Crouse, Cherry Lane; New Hope, Mrs. Ruth J. Choate, Furches; New River, Homer C. Rector, Sparta; Pine Fork, Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs; Scottville, Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville; Sparta, Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name changed to Alleghany Association At Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	PLACE	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Ch'm Ex. Comm.
1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Creek	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sept. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sept. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sept. 8-10	Brush Creek	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sept. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sept. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sept. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sept. 9-11	Laurel Spr'gs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sept. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sept. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sept. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sept. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sept. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill

23. 1919, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sept. 10-12	Chestnut Grove	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sept. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26. 1922, Sept. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27. 1923, Sept. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28. 1924, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
29. 1925, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
30. 1926, Sept. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31. 1927, Sept. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32. 1928, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33. 1929, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34. 1930, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35. 1931, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36. 1932, Sept. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37. 1933, Sept. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38. 1934, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39. 1935, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40. 1936, Sept. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41. 1937, Sept. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42. 1938, Sept. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43. 1939, Sept. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44. 1940, Sept. 6-8	Laurel Spr'gs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45. 1941, Sept. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Asheley	John M. Cheek
46. 1942, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royal	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47. 1943, Sept. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton

MINUTES

— OF THE —

Alleghany Baptist Association

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

(See Historical Note, Page 9)

— HELD WITH —

MOUNT CARMEL BAPTIST CHURCH

CHERRY LANE, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 9, 10, 1944

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Next Session Will Be Held With Liberty Baptist Church

Whitehead, N. C.

September 6, 7, 8, 1945

— **Introductory Sermon By:** —

Rev. E. B. Barton, Sparta, N. C.

Alternate: Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead, N. C.

PROGRAM

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

— OF —

Alleghany Baptist Association

— AT —

MT. CARMEL CHURCH, CHERRY LANE P. O., N. C.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,

SEPTEMBER 9-10, 1944

Program

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SATURDAY

10:00 A. M., Song Service ---------- Choir of Mt. Carmel Church
Prayer ---------- Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead
10:15 Roll call of churches. Recognition of visitors, etc.
10:30 Report of Executive Committee ---------- W. F. Doughton
10:45 Report on Religious Literature ------ Mrs. R. E. Richardson
11:00 Report on Hospital ---------- Mrs. T. S. Moxley
Address ---------- Smith Hagaman, Supt. of Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem.
Appoinment of Committees: (a) Nomination; (b) Time, Place and Preachers; (c) Resolutions.
11:30 Annual Sermon ---------- Rev. L. E. Sparks, Moxley
Benediction ---------- Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta

1:30 P. M., Song Service ---------- Choir of Osborne Memorial Church
Prayer ---------- Rev. Brice Barton, Sparta
1:45 Report on Ministerial Relief and Annuity -- Rev. R. L. West
2:00 Report on Orphanage ---------- Mrs. Van Miller
Address ---------- Dr. I. G. Greer Supt. of Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C.
2:30 Report on Missions ---------- Mrs. Richard L. West
2:45 Report of Special Committees
3:00 Miscellaneous Business
Benediction -------- Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.

8:30 P. M., Devotional ---------- Rev. William Ham
8:45 Report on Baptist Training Union -- Miss Patsy Roy Burgiss
9:00 Report on Sunday Schools ---------- T. C. Osborne
9:15 Address ---------- Mr. L. A. Martin, Lexington
Benediction -------- Rev. C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.

SUNDAY

10:00 A. M., Song Service ---------- Choir of Sparta Baptist Church
Prayer ---------- Rev. Richard L. West
10:15 Report on Woman's Missionary Union -- Mrs. Ben G. Reeves
10:30 Report on Christian Education ---------- Prof. A. O. Joines
10:45 Address ---------- Hon. R. L. Doughton Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, Laurel Springs
11:30 Sermon ---------- Rev. L. L. Carpenter Editor of Biblical Recorder, Raleigh, N. C.
Benediction

John M. Cheek, Moderator, Sparta, N. C.
Van Miller, Clerk, Laurel Springs, N. C.

Directory Of Officers

John M. Cheek, Moderator ---------- Sparta, N. C.
T. C. Osborne, Vice-Moderator ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.
Van Miller, Clerk ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. F. Doughton ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.
Dr. N. D. Fox ---------- Sparta, N. C.
F. W. Royal ---------- Cherry Lane, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Ministerial Relief and Annuity**—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Rev. E. B. Barton, Rev. A. K. Taylor, and Rev. Wm. Ham.
2. **Hospital**—Mrs. W. P. Maxwell, Mrs. Jas. Mc. D. Wagoner, and Mrs. Sam Perry.
3. **Orphanage**—Mrs. Van Miller, Mrs. C. A. Reeves, and Mrs. Dan Jones.
4. **Temperance**—Mrs. J. T. Fender, Miss Mary Kennedy, and Mrs. W. A. Atwood.
5. **Missions (Foreign, Home, State)**—Mrs. R. L. Doughton, Mrs. Sam L. Porter and Mrs. Eugene Mitchell.
6. **Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Mrs. T. R. Burgiss and Mrs. Alice Caudill.
7. **Director Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. A. O. Joines, Sparta, N. C.
8. **Committee on Religious Literature**—Mrs. Hugh Choate, Mrs. Maggie Nucholls, and Mrs. Leff Edwards.
9. **Representative of Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, and other Baptist Publications**—Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Whitehead, N. C.
10. **Christian Education**—A. O. Joines, Joe Bill Reed, and Mrs. Ben G. Reeves.
11. **Committee on Sunday Schools**—Rev. W. C. Triplett, Charlie Pollard, and Pauline Osborne.
12. **Associational Sunday School Superintendent**—T. C. Osborne, Laurel Springs, N. C.
13. **Committee on Training Union**—Miss Una Lee Richardson, Mrs. Lella Green Wagoner, Mrs. Eugene Shepherd.
14. **Director of Training Union**—Rev. R. L. West.
15. **Committee on Whitehead Parsonage**—J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek and Enoch Ham.
16. **On History of Alleghany Association**—Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton, Mrs. F. W. Royal and J. K. Blum.

RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. R. L. West ---------- Sparta, N. C.
Rev. W. H. Caldwell ---------- Sparta, N. C.
Rev. William Ham ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.
Rev. G. R. Blackburn ---------- Whitehead, N. C.
Rev. E. B. Barton ---------- Sparta, N. C.

Resident Minister not in Pastorate

Rev. W. C. Trivett ---------- Stratford, N. C.

Proceedings

The forty-eighth annual session of the Alleghany Baptist Association met with Mt. Carmel and was called to order by the Moderator, Prof. J. M. Cheek.

The following program was adopted as the order of business for the association. (See Program, Page 10).

Devotion—by G. R. Blackburn.

Reading—from James 1-22-27.

Special song service by Mt. Carmel Choir.

Upon Roll Call of churches, all responded by letter and messengers. The Osborne Memorial church applied for admission, sending a letter and messengers. A committee consisting of R. L. West, G. R. Blackburn and W. F. Doughton was appointed to consider the application. The report of the committee was unanimously in favor of admitting the church into the association, which was done by vote of the churches.

Visitors from sister associations were recognized and welcomed. Dr. W. K. Harrington, Lebanon, Virginia; Dr. I. G. Greer, Liberty Association; Smith Hagaman, Pilot Mt. Association; R. H. Satterfield, Raleigh Central Association; Rev. Charles E. Parker, Chaplain of Baptist Hospital; Mrs. Tom Davis, of Denton, Randolph Association.

Report of Executive Committee by W. F. Doughton—Report adopted.

Report on Religious Literature by Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

Discussion by R. L. West—Report adopted.

Mrs. R. E. Richardson was appointed as representative of the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and other Baptist Literature.

Report of Baptist Hospital—Mrs. T. S. Moxley—Report adopted.

Address by Smith Hagaman, Supt. of Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem. In the absence of Rev. L. E. Sparks, appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, an address on Christian Education was delivered by Prof. R. H. Satterfield, representative of Meredith College.

Benediction by Rev. W. H. Caldwell. A bountiful lunch was served by the people of Mt. Carmel community.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30 P. M.

Song service by the Osborne Memorial Choir. Prayer by Rev. Brice Barton, of Sparta, N. C.

Report on Ministerial Relief and Annuity by Rev. R. L. West —Report adopted.

Report on Orphanage, by Mrs. Van Miller—Report adopted.

Address by Dr. I. G. Greer, Supt. of Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C.

Report on Missions by Mrs. Richard L. West—Report adopted.

Report on Temperance by Mrs. J. T. Fender—Report adopted.

Report on Time and Place—Report adopted.

Report of Nominating Committee: for Moderator, Prof. J. M. Cheek, of Sparta, N. C.; for Vice Moderator, T. C. Osborne, Laurel Springs; for Clerk, Van Miller, Laurel Springs; for Executive Committee, W. F. Doughton, Chairman Dr. N. D. Fox, and F. W. Royal. The report was adopted and the above officers were elected.

The night session of the program was cancelled by unanimous consent.

SUNDAY SESSION, SEPT. 10, 1944, AT 10:00 A. M.

The session was called to order by the Moderator. The Baptist Training Union was discussed by R. L. West.

Report of Resolutions Committee by R. L. West.

Visitors recognized and welcomed. Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Richardson, Oak Grove Baptist church, Bel Air, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mosley, Elkin Association. Song service by choir of Sparta Baptist church.

Prayer by R. L. West. Special song by Mrs. S. A. Richardson.

Report on Christian Education by Prof. A. O. Joines.

Report adopted, discussion by A. O. Joines and R. L. West.

Visitors welcomed: L. A. Martin, of Liberty Association; Sam Gentry, Stone Mt. Association; W. B. Reeves, West Jefferson. N. C.

Address by L. A. Martin, representing the Allied Church League.

Song—"What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

The sermon was delivered by Rev. George M. Reeves, of Spartanburg, S. C., using as a text, Romans 1-3 Chapters.

Song—"God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Closing prayer by W. D. Harrington.

JOHN M. CHEEK, Moderator
VAN MILLER, Clerk.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The work of our committee has been extremely light as there was not much that came before us. All of the churches were supplied with pastors. Some of our churches have made progress but the work has been greatly hindered by the epidemic that we have had in the county the past summer which kept the churches that planned a revival during the summer from doing so and also kept the children from Sunday School.

We rejoice at the organization of a new and vigorous church in the county and the good work Brother Barton and others have done and are doing in the county.

We feel that there are other sections of the county which should be occupied by a similar work.

We wish to recommend that the pastors of the Association endeavor to co-operate more fully and help each other in revival meetings, and exchange pulpits once or twice each year. Also, we feel that if they would organize a pastor's conference to meet and plan the work of the churches and mission points,

more could be accomplished and better brotherly feeling would exist.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. DOUGHTON, Chairman.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Since it was pointed out by the Southern Baptist Convention which met in Atlanta in May of this year that: "The mightiest force in our hands for arousing the people to the urgency of our Lord's Great Commission is our denominational press," it, therefore, behooves us to take advantage of this great opportunity by letting the literature from that source come into our homes and be read by us.

In a recent issue of our State Baptist journal, Biblical Recorder, we were advised to take time for ten things and one of the ten was. "Take time to read—it is the foundation of knowledge."

To be able to serve intelligently in our churches we would be informed about the aims of our organization and how it functions.

Of course, at the top of the list of our religious literature should come the Bible and following it we should have some or all of the following: Biblical Recorder, our own State Convention Journal; Charity and Children, a publication from our orphanage; The Commission, which gives interesting and valuable information concerning our foreign mission work; Home Missions; Open Windows, a great help in daily individual and family devotionals; and the literature from our Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

We realize that our nation cannot be any stronger, more stable or God-fearing than the individuals of which it is composed and that our churches and Christian homes must furnish the spiritual foundation which is necessary to make any nation great; therefore, let us help in one way by keeping the best of religious literature in our Baptist homes and insist that it be read with all diligence.

MRS. R. E. RICHARDSON

REPORT OF BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Baptist Hospital has completed a very successful year. During the year of 1943, 7,609 patients were received into the hospital. In addition to these, 2,724 patients were examined and treatment prescribed, if necessary. There were 8,800 patients seen in the private clinic. This makes a grand total of 21,133 patients. If all of these were placed in hospital beds at one time and these beds placed end to end, it would form a solid line 28 miles long.

There were 2,336 patients who entered the hospital as free patients representing a cost of $145,509. The hospital depends on the Mother's Day Offerings of the churches and Sunday Schools for caring for this large number of patients who are not able to pay for hospitalization. This offering amounted to $72,-580 in 1943. The Duke Endowment fund gives $1.00 per day for

each charity patient which amounted to $26,899. In addition, the hospital received hospital linens from the W. M. U. and other church organizations estimated at $2,518, making a total of $102,081.

Almost every section of the state is represented almost every day. We also have a growing number from other states coming in for diagnosis and treatment that small hospitals are not equipped to give.

The hospital does not discriminate against members of other denominations, nor those who do not belong to any denomination. Its doors are open to every hospital case, regardless, as long as there is an empty bed.

The hospital, last year, very vitally touched the lives of no less than 38,000 members of the immediate families of the patients, and not less than 380,000 friends and neighbors of these sick. We hope that these patients have returned to their homes and communities bearing a message of blessing and good will.

We ask the sympathy, patience, good will and prayers of all our ministers and churches of our State, as the multitudes of sick are ministered unto in the name of the Great Physician.

MRS. T. S. MOXLEY
MRS. W. P. MAXWELL

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

We, your committee, beg to submit the following report of the work of the Relief and Annuity Board. The growth of this Board has been steady and constant since it was founded in 1918. Its ministry of service has grown to such extent that protection against age and infirmity is offered to all those gainfully employed in our complex denominational life. Included in this protection are pastors, missionaries, employees of state and southwide boards, orphanages and hospitals, also faculties and staffs of seminaries and colleges. About 10,000 now enjoy this protection and the number is increasing by many hundred each year.

The Centennial Crusade and Beyond: This one hundredth year of Southern Baptist history finds the Board keeping step with the entire denomination in its centennial crusade. Our immediate goal is ten thousand preachers in the Ministers Retirement Plan together with their churches by the Centennial Convention in Atlanta, May, 1945. In addition we aim to provide security for every denominational worker, lay as well as ordained. Our various plans will embrace all institutions, boards, and agencies of the convention. There is a place for every individual. Every local Baptist Church owes such protection to every salaried worker as well as to its pastor.

Richard L. West, Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Committee

REPORT OF ORPHANAGE

Our orphanage, the Mills Home in Thomasville, and the Ken-

nedy Home near Kinston is an institution to which the Baptist Denomination should look with pride. Dr. I. G. Greer, General Superintendent and Mr. R. D. Covington have their offices on the Mills Home grounds. More children have been taken care of in the past year than ever before. One child was admitted from the Laurel Springs community, in the fall of 1943.

We, the Baptists of Alleghany Association, should keep uppermost in our minds the wonderful work that is being done in supporting, educating and training orphan children by the voluntary gifts of the loyal Baptist people all over North Carolina. It is a wonderful work of love in which we all must have a part. Let us save to the Church and State the Christian type of men and women. Our Orphanage, sends out, and enjoys the satisfaction of having helped fatherless and motherless boys and girls.

We recommend that any church in the Association that has not already adopted the plan of contributing once-a-month to the orphanage begin at once to do so. It has been the custom of our people for many years to give the equivalent of one day's work or income to the orphanage on Thanksgiving Day which goes a long way toward their expenses during the coming year. We should count it a Christain privilege to help in this great work.

Mrs. Van Miller

REPORT ON MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board is in the best condition, financially, it has ever been. The War has forced many of our missionaries home and most of our work is at a standstill and will be for the duration.

The State Mission is also in the best shape it has ever been. M. A. Huggins has made a very efficient State secretary. Our State Mission program has touched every phase of our defense work, at the same time has kept up with its regular State Mission program that has been in operation for years. We are proud of our State Mission work.

The Home Mission Board now has 514 missionaries working in 1050 churches and missions in every state in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention and in Cuba and Central America. In 1943 these missionaries preached 36,000 sermons, led more than 12,000 to make a profession of faith in Christ and received 8,200 members into the fellowship of Baptist Churches. Seventy-four missionaries have been added since January 1, 1943.

To meet this challenge, the year of 1945, which is the Centennial year of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been designated as a time for a special Southwide evangelistic campaign. Other southwide Boards and Agencies are joining the Home Mission Board to make this an all-out soul winning effort. Dr. M. E. Dodd, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Shreveport, has been chosen to lead in this great crusade for souls. Every association will be asked to cooperate. Pastors and lay-

men alike are asked to consercrate themselves and dedicate their talents and resources to this great soul winning effort.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Reports mean nothing—only action counts.

For years the Association has had temperance reports. Section 12 of the constitution of Alleghany Baptist Association reads as follows: "The Association will not receive or retain in permanent fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage." Every church member and every preacher in the Association can answer for themselves, the effort and action put forth, for the past year, to combat this scourge within our bounds! To report and resolute means nothing. As a Christian organization, it is our attitude and action toward the startling increase in the use of whiskey and beer, with your boys and girls—not in some other Association, but in our own county. (See reports of arrests of men and women for the past 90 days).

I assume no one would deny that alcohol destroys and poisons, or is a traitor to man and nations.

To substantiate the above, let's brief by review a little past history.

1. Twenty-eight hundred years ago, Arab defeated the king of Syria, when he found him, and thirty-two of his friends drinking themselves drunk in their pavilions.

2. Twenty-five hundred years ago, Cyrus conquered Babylon on a night when Belshazzar and a thousand of his lords were having a great cocktail party.

3. Twenty-two hundred years ago, Alexander the Great conquered the world, then beer and liquor mowed him down at the age of 33. Plutarch says he drank all night and the next day. He died from his debauch. Alexander was one of the geniuses of all history.

4. Fifteen hundred years ago, the proud city of Rome was drowned in her own booze vats.

5. Eight hundred and seventy-five years ago, the Normans spent the night in prayer before they won the battle of Hastings, but the enemy spent the night in drunkenness and debauch.

6. One hundred and sixty-eight years ago, George Washington crossed the Deleware at night and won the battle of Trenton, while the Hessians spent the night celebrating in drunkenness.

7. One hundred and twenty-nine years ago, the bloody battle of Waterloo was fought. After Marshall had taken a gorge of his favorite liquor before going to bed, he was unable to give orders next day to his men. All was lost.

8. Twenty-six years ago, the French placed in the path of the German troops a quantity of alcoholic drinks and the next day, two German divisions were mowed down by enemy machine guns. Lloyd George exclaimed, "We are fighting Germany, Austria and strong drink, and the most deadly is strong drink!"

Beer, wine and liquor has defeated more men, destroyed the

virtue of more women, crushed more armies, and overthrown more nations than anything else from the dawn of history on down through the centuries to the present day. We aren't neutral. We are either for temperance or against it. The homes. the schools and churches are indispensable, for its control; but we are the real solution. Are we for it or against it? Our attitude and our actions are the answer.

MRS. J. T. FENDER,
Chairman of Committee.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Liberty Baptist church near Whitehead, N. C., to begin on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1945. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. E. B. Barton; alternate, G. R. Blackburn.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it resolved, we the Alleghany Baptist Association do cooperate with our Southern Baptist Convention in its evangelistic campaign, which is a revival in every Baptist church in the Southland. Also we recommend to the Association that an invitation be extended to the Sunday School workers of the State Board to put on a Sunday School Revival in our Association next summer.

In behalf of the Baptists of Alleghany, we should like to give a rising vote of thanks to the people of Mt. Carmel church for their most cordial welcome extended to us during these two days. The fellowship and spirit of worship were most inspiring and uplifting. For the delicious lunch and the kind reception, we are deeply grateful.

RICHARD L. WEST
W. H. CALDWELL
BRICE BARTON

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We are hearing and saying much these crucial days of change and confusion about the necessity of developing and maintaining an adequate Christian leadership in this destitute world. The opportunities for Christian service these fateful days magnify the responsibility resting upon the churches, colleges, and seminaries to produce leadership in constructing a new world order based on the teachings of Christ. We reaffirm our absolute devotion to the Bible as the Word of God, to Jesus Christ as the only Savior of Men, to the New Testament as the pattern of the church, to Preaching and Teaching as the devinely given means of accomplishing the purpose of Christ, and to the Kingdom of God as the only ideal making possible a just and enduring peace.

Christian education is the systematic development and cultivation of the mind and other natural powers in such a way as to manifest the spirit of Christ and His teachings. This education begins with the child and continues through life, even

through old age. Children learn more through unconscious imitation of their parents than through all the verbal instruction given them. Upon the parents lies the great responsibility of walking in the way of Christ, seeking His guidance and help, and teaching their children to know and love Him.

As we place greater emphasis on teaching for Christian living, we recognize the ever-expanding opportunities of the Sunday School, the Training Union, and the division of student work in our schools. We should encourage young men called of God to the Gospel Ministry to secure the best possible training in college and seminary. The churches should aid them financially in securing their theological training, and then assist in relocating them back where they are most needed when they have completed their training. We challenge each church to greater efforts; a greater future in this work.

Christian education envisions the best in both scholastic and moral standards. Our seven Baptist Colleges in this state are dedicated to Christian Education and for eleven decades have trained an able, well-balanced ministerial and lay leadership. In recent years, the number of students taking courses in the School of Religion has been greatly enlarged. There was a time when few except ministerial students took these courses. Now the ratio is about one ministerial student to four others in these classes. A better trained membership as well as leadership is of vital importance as we face the future.

There are as many Baptists in this state as the total membership of all other evangelical churches combined. But fewer than half as many of Baptist youths of North Carolina as compared with the youths of other denominations, attain an education of college level. We are failing in our obligation to them, and in this failure, we are jeopardizing the future usefulness of the denomination in the state, the nation and the world. Christian people, the time is ripe for constructive action by the Baptists of North Carolina. The accomplishments of the past were made possible by men and women of vision and liberality—people who had a fervor for the cause of Christianity. The present generation is still enjoying the benefits of their sacrifices and prayers. May we provide for the incoming generation of Baptist accommodations and instruction in keeping with the needs and demands of this new age.

HISTORICAL NOTE

On motion it is ordered that the present session of the Alleghany Association shall be designated the 48th (in place of the 47th) in agreement with the Historical Table printed at the end of this minute. This correction of the consecutive numbering of the meetings is made in order to include the organization meeting in 1897 as the first annual session of the association which method of reckoning meets the approval of Dr. G. W. Paschal, Wake Forest College, who has already published Volume I of the History of North Carolina Baptists.

Program - Order of Business

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SATURDAY

10:00 Song Service ---------- Choir of Mt. Carmel Church
Prayer ---------- Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead
10:15 Roll call of churches. Recognition of visitors, etc.
10:30 Report of Executive Committee -------- W. F. Doughton
10:45 Report on Religious Literature ---- Mrs. R. E. Richardson
11:00 Report on Hospital ---------- Mrs. T. S. Moxley
Address ---------- Smith Hagaman,
Supt. of Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem.
Appointment of Committees: (a) Nomination; (b) Time, Place and Preacher; (c) Resolutions.
11:30 Annual Sermon -------- Rev. R. H. Satterfield, Raleigh
Benediction ---------- Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta
1:30 Song Service ------ Choir of Osborne Memorial Church
Prayer ---------- Rev. Brice Barton, Sparta
1:45 Report on Ministerial Relief and Annuity- Rev. R. L. West
2:00 Report on Orphanage ---------- Mrs. Van Miller
Address ---------- Dr. I. G. Greer
Supt. of Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C.
2:30 Report on Missions ---------- Mrs. Richard L. West
2:45 Report of Special Committees
3:00 Miscellaneous Business
Benediction ------ Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.
8:30 Devotional ---------- Rev. William Ham
8:45 Report on Baptist Training Union- Miss Patsy Roy Burgiss
9:00 Report on Sunday Schools ---------- T. C. Osborne
9:15 Address ---------- Mr. L. A. Martin, Lexington
Benediction ---- Rev. C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.

SUNDAY

10:00 Song Service ---------- Choir of Sparta Baptist Church
Prayer ---------- Rev. Richard L. West
10:15 Report on Woman's Missionary Union- Mrs. Ben G. Reeves
10:30 Report on Christian Education ------ Prof. A. O. Joines
10:45 Address ---------- Hon. R. L. Doughton
Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, Laurel Springs
11:30 Sermon ---- Rev. George M. Reeves, Spartanburg, S. C.
Benediction

IN MEMORIAM

OUR BELOVED DEAD

John Jordan ---------- Chestnut Grove Church
Mrs. Frances Hanks ---------- Mt. Carmel Church
Mrs. Cora Holbrook ---------- Mt. Carmel Church
W. E. Maxwell ---------- Sparta Church

CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution to churches, the body of these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.

5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

Table 1. Church Membership, Etc., Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept., 1944

CHURCHES—Pastors and Post Offices	When Constituted?	Mem. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters (Gains)	Statements	Letters (Losses)	Deaths	Non-Resident Mem.	To. Present Mem.	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Taking Bap. Paper
Bellview—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1909	29				2		21	27			
Chestnut Grove—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1897	24	4	1	1		1	6	29	1	1	
Laurel Springs—Rev. R. L. West, Sparta	1891	76						50	76		1	?
Liberty—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1886	44	2		2			14	48	1	1	7
Mt. Carmel—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1884	60	2				2	23	60	1	1	
New Hope—Rev. R. L. West, Sparta	1881	26	2					15	28	1		
New River—Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	1939	20	6	1					27	1	1	
Osborne Memorial—Rev. E. B. Barton, Sparta	1943		53	12	7			6	72	2		6
Pine Fork—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1898	33	1						34			
Scottville—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	1925	68	7	1					76	1	1	
Sparta—Rev. R. L. West, Sparta	1884	124		6	1	1	1	57	129		1	10
TOTAL		504	77	21	11	3	4		606			

Meeting Days—Bellview, 2nd Sun.; Chestnut Grove, 4th Sun.; Laurel Springs, 4th Sun. A. M., 2nd Sun. P. M.; Liberty, 3rd Sun.; Mt. Carmel, 1st Sun.; New Hope, 2nd Sun.; New River, 3rd Sun.; Pine Fork, 4th Sun.; Scottville, 2nd Sat.,and Sun.; Sparta, 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Sun.

TABLE II. Sunday Schools of Alleghany Baptist Association, State of N. C., Year Ending September, 1943.

CHURCHES—Superintendents and Post Offices	Cradle Rool Under 3 Yrs.	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Int'mediates 13-16 Yrs.	Yg. People 17-24 Yrs.	Adults, 25 Yrs. Up	Dept. Officers	To. Enrollment	Avg. Attendance	Is the School Graded?
Bellview—Mrs. Grace Jones, Transou		8	4	3	23	26	16			12	
Chestnut Grove—Mrs. S. L. Perry, Sparta	5	15			13		32		65	19	
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs			3	7	10	5	10	2	41	21	No
Liberty—Mrs. W. M. Wagoner, Whitehead	3	6	8		12		18		47		
Mt. Carmel—Steward Lyon, Roaring Gap									50	26	No
New Hope—Mrs. Ruth Choate, Furches		4		4			16		24	15	No
New River—Oscar Shumate, Sparta									40	25	
Osborne Memorial—Rev. W. C. Trivette, Sparta			9	10		12	12		43	50	
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs									24	18	Yes
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville	1		2	6	6	12	5	3	35	15	No
Sparta—Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta		7	9	14		9	43	3	87	27	Yes

Extension Dept.—Laurel Springs, 6; Baptisms from S. S.—Liberty, 1; Enrollment Va. School—Laurel Springs, 25; Average Attendance Va. School—Laurel Springs, 20.

TABLE IV. W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts—Baptist Association, Year Ending September, 1944

CHURCHES—Presidents of W. M. S. and Post Offices	Number W. M. S.'s	To. W. M. U. Org'zations	W. M. S. Members	G. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	To. Members Enrolled	To. Enrolled Mis. S. Co's	W. M. U. Contributions (Local)	W. M. U. Contributions (Missions)
Bellview									
Chestnut Grove									
Laurel Springs—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs	1	1	10			10	1	$12.00	$81.00
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	1		18				10		$28.00
Mt. Carmel									
New Hope									
New River									
Osborne Memorial									
Pine Fork									
Scottville—Mrs. W. F. Sheppard, Scottville	1		10						
Sparta—Mrs. R. L. West, Sparta	1		18	1	1		11	$30.69	$49.24

TABLE VI. Church Property of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending September, 1944.

CHURCHES—Church Clerks and Post Offices * House Under Construction.	Does Church Own House of Worship?	When Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Dept. Assem. Rooms	Value of Church	Value Pastor's Home	To. Property Value	Insurance Carried
Bellview—C. E. Woodie, Furches	Yes	1912	Wood	200	1		$ 800.00	$	$ 800.00	$
Chestnut Grove—Wayne Edwards, Sparta	Yes	1939	Brick	250	1		1,500.00		1,500.00	
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	Yes	1931	Brick	300	1	4	3,500.00		3,500.00	$1,500
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1	2	1,600.00	1,700.00	3,300.00	
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Devotion	Yes	1908	Wood	300	1		1,000.00		1,000.00	
New Hope—D. J. Jones, Stratford	Yes	1884	Wood	200	1		1,600.00		1,600.00	
New River—Homer C. Rector, Sparta	Yes	1943	Stone	150	3	2	2,500.00		2,500.00	
Osborne Memorial—Mrs. Blanche Young, Stratfor(	Yes	1944	Brick	300*	3	3				
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs	Yes	1898	Wood	200	1	3	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville	Yes	1925	Wood	300	4	3	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Sparta—Mrs. Ben G. Reeves, Sparta	Yes	1940	Brick	400	10	3	13,092.49	7,000.00	20,092.49	6,500

Number Separate Class Rooms—Sparta, 10; Indebtedness on all church property—New River, $300.00; Sparta, $500.00.

TABLE VII. Gifts for Local Church Work of Allegbany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept., 1944.

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurer and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., Etc.	Help Given Local Poor	For Printing Minutes And Clerk	Other Objects	Total All Purposes
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	12.75						2.00		14.75
Chestnut Grove—Mrs. Allen Edwards, Sparta	85.33	10.50		5.00	1.37		3.25	2.00	107.45
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	445.00			30.00	23.80		10.00		508.80
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	130.00	21.00		12.00	6.00	7.00	4.00		180.00
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Devotion	123.88			11.22				7.50	142.60
New Hope—	100.00		50.00		6.00		2.00	18.00	176.00
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta	40.00		2,000.00			30.00	2.00		2,072.00
Osborne Memorial—Mary Kennedy, Stratford	200.00	84.00	1,373.90		25.00		4.63	27.80	1,715.33
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs	75.00	10.00		11.50	11.76	15.00	2.00	2.00	127.26
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville	97.06			14.60	13.50		3.00		138.16
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	1,000.00	10.00	6,318.49	312.21	57.08	5.00	5.00		7,697.78
TOTAL	2,309.02	135.50	9,742.39	396.53	144.51	57.00	37.88	57.30	12,880.13

Value Food and Clothing given to orphanage—Bellview, $12.00;Chestnut Grove, $30.00; Laurel Springs, $37.80.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name changed to Alleghany Association At Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	PLACE	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Creek	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sept. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sept. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sept. 8-10	Brush Creek	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sept. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sept. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sept. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sept. 9-11	Laurel Spr'gs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sept. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sept. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sept. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sept. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves

20.	1916, Sept. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21.	1917, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22.	1918, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23.	1919, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24.	1920, Sept. 10-12	Chestnut Grove	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25.	1921, Sept. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26.	1922, Sept. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sept. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28.	1924, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sept. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sept. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sept. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sept. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sept. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sept. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sept. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sept. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sept. 6-8	Laurel Spr'gs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sept. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Asheley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royal	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sept. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sept. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton

Table VIII. Gifts for Missions, Education and all Benevolences, Alleghany Bap. Ass'n, Year Ending Sept., 1944

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Total to Co-op. Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to For. Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Other Objects	To. for Missions, Etc.	Grand Total—All Purposes
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches									14.75
Chestnut Grove—Mrs. Allen Edwards, Sparta					30.00	7.45	2.00	39.45	146.90
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	27.43	19.52	6.50	5.00	30.94	19.36	5.00	142.21	651.01
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	34.18	2.00	1.00		30.00	14.00		87.18	267.18
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Devotion	6.70				33.32			40.02	182.62
New Hope—									176.00
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta						5.75		5.75	2,077.75
Osborne Memorial—Mary Kennedy, Stratford						27.80		27.80	1,743.13
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs					6.00	9.00		15.00	142.26
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville					6.25	4.86		21.58	159.74
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	5.95	12.00	40.18	1.00	21.00	15.20	1.68	137.97	7,835.75
TOTAL	81.73	33.52	47.68	6.00	157.51	103.42	8.68	516.96	13,397.09

Special to schols and Colleges—Liberty, $6.00; Special to Theo. Seminaries, Sparta, $1.00; Special to Ministers' Retirement Fund—Laurel Springs, $21.00; Sparta, $39.96; Red Cross and Foreign Relief—Laurel Springs, $7.46; Scottville, $3.00.

MINUTES

— OF THE —

Alleghany Baptist Association

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

— HELD WITH —

LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH

WHITEHEAD, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 8, 9, 1945

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Next Session Will Be Held With

OSBORNE MEMORIAL CHURCH

Stratford, RFD, N. C.

September 7, 8, 1946

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— Introductory Sermon By: —

Rev. W. H. Caldwell

Sparta, N. C.

This Minute of the Alleghany Association

— IS —

DEDICATED TO

Rev. J. F. Fletcher, North Wilkesboro, N. C., born Nov. 11, 1858; ordained January 9, 1876. He participated in the organization of the Ashe and Alleghany Association in 1886 (Sept. 24, 25), a member of the Committee to prepare an "Abstract of Principles." (See Page 13). He preached the closing sermon of the Convention. Was pastor of Baptist churches for more than sixty years and served under Mission Boards of North Carolina and Virginia for more than forty years.

Was pastor of Liberty and Laurel Springs and other churches in this Association from 1906-1908; Moderator of Alleghany Association, 1908; preached the introductory sermon in 1907 and again in 1908.

Is author of HISTORY OF ASHE (North Carolina) and GRAYSON (Virginia) Baptist Associations, 1935.

He addressed the Alleghany Association at Liberty on September 8, 1945 (in his 88th year).

His life and his ministry have been a channel of blessings for our people.

Directory Of Officers And Committees

John M. Cheek, Moderator ..... Sparta, N. C.
A. O. Joines, Vice-Moderator ..... Sparta, N. C.
Van Miller, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. F. Doughton, Chairman ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.
Dr. N. D. Fox ..... Sparta, N. C.
F. W. Royal ..... Cherry Lane, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Representative of Baptist Publications**—Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Whitehead, N. C.
2. **Hospital**—Mrs. W. P. Maxwell, Mrs. E. E. Caudill and Mrs. Sam Perry.
3. **Orphanage**—Mrs. Van Miller, Mrs. C. A. Reeves and Mrs. Dan Jones.
4. **Temperance**—Mrs. J. T. Fender, Miss Mary Kennedy and Miss Pauline Osborne.
5. **Missions**—Mrs. F. G. Walker, Mrs. Eugene Mitchell and Mrs. Sam L. Porter.
6. **Education**—A. O. Joines, Roy H. Crouse and Joe Bill Reed.
7. **Evangelism**—Rev. F. G. Walker, Rev. E. B. Barton, Rev. W. H. Caldwell and Rev. G. R. Blackburn.
8. **Director of Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. A. O. Joines, Sparta, N. C.
9. **Director of Training Union**—E. C. Minnich, Piney Creek, N. C.
10. **Associational Sunday School Superintendent**—Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta, N. C.
11. **Committee on Whitehead Parsonage**—J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek and Enoch Hamm.
12. **Committee on History of Alleghany Association**—John M. Cheek, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep and W. F. Doughton.
13. **Director of Daily Vacation Bible School**—Rev. E. B. Barton, Sparta, N. C.

RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. F. G. Walker ..... Sparta, N. C.
Rev. W. H. Caldwell ..... Sparta, N. C.
Rev. G. R. Blackburn ..... Whitehead, N. C.
Rev. E. B. Barton ..... Sparta, N. C.
Rev. William Hamm ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.

Proceedings

The forty-ninth annual session of the Alleghany Baptist Association met with Liberty Baptist Church, at Whitehead, N. C., on September 8, 1945.

The morning session was called to order by the Moderator. John M. Cheek. The congregation joined in singing the hymn. "All Hail the Power."

Devotional exercises were conducted by G. R. Blackburn. Reading from the 4th chapter of Philippians. Roll call of churches and messengers.

The following visitors were recognized: R. M. Hauss, Shelby. N. C.; C. E. Parker, Pilot Mountain Association; R. H. Satterfield, Raleigh Central Association; Richard K. Redwine, Surry Association; Rev. A. F. Absher, Stone Mountain Association: Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Fletcher, Brush Mountain Association; and Mrs. R. T. McNeill.

Reports were then made by the following:

Report of Executive Committee by W. F. Doughton, Chairman.

Report on Hospital by Mrs. W. P. Maxwell. Report adopted

Address, by C. E. Parker from the Baptist Hospital. Reading from Isaiah 41, using as the subject, "And They Helped Everyone His Neighbor."

Report on Christian Education was made by A. O. Joines Report adopted, after which Mr. R. H. Satterfield spoke on Christian education.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Nomination Committee—J. T. Fender, John L. Joines, William Hamm, Dan J. Jones and J. F. Roberts

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher—A. O. Joines, Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Rev. E. B. Barton, Mrs. W. F. Jones and M. E Reeves.

Committee on Resolutions—Rev. F. G. Walker, Rev. W. H. Caldwell and Miss Dorothy Evans.

Song—"Come Thy Fount."

Prayer by F. G. Walker.

Introductory sermon by Rev. E. B. Barton, reading from Psalms 42.

Benediction by W. H. Caldwell.

Lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION—2:00 O'CLOCK

Song.

Visitors recognized: Mrs. Mammie Fletcher, Yadkin Association; Mrs. C. C. Eller, of Ashe Association; Mr. and Mrs Fred Fields, of Bagley Association of Alabama; R. M. Perry, of New River Association; F. F. Cheek, of Pilot Mountain Association.

The report of the Woman's Missionary Union was made by Mrs. T. S. Moxley. Report adopted. Discussion by Mrs. J. F.

Fletcher. This was followed by an address by Rev. J. F. Fletcher, of North Wilkesboro, N. C., a former moderator of this Association.

The moderator recognized Dr. R. K. Redwine, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Mt. Airy, N. C., representing the State Board of Missions, who made a very acceptable address on the Baptist State co-operative program.

Report on Temperance was made by Mrs. J. T. Fender. Report adopted.

A very interesting address was then made by Rev. R. M Hauss, who represented the temperance work of the allied Church League.

A report was made by the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, as follows: Place, Osborne Memorial; Time, September 7, 8, 1946; Preacher, Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta, N. C.

NIGHT SESSION—8:00 O'CLOCK

September 8

The Association yielded the night session to Mr. and Mrs I. G. Greer, of the Thomasville Orphanage, who rendered a very interesting and instructive program of Southern Appalachian folk songs, together with special selections by the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage Girls' Quartet.

SUNDAY MORNING—10:00 O'CLOCK

September 9

The session was called to order by the moderator, John M. Cheek. The congregation joined in singing, "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned." Prayer by Rev. Bert Whitehead.

Visitors recognized: Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer, Misses Betty Gurley, Iola Batts, Viola Batts, and Jewell Chance, all of the Thomasville Orphanage; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gilliam, of Stone Mountain Association; Mrs. F. G. Walker, Miss Helen Walker and Guy Walker, all of Sparta.

Report on Resolutions was made by Rev. F. G. Walker and report was adopted.

Report on Religious Literature was made by Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

Special selections by the Mills Home Girls' Quartet.

Visitors recognized: Rev. Bert Whitehead and J. Kemp Doughton, Baltimore, Md.

Address by Dr. I. G. Greer, who spoke most eloquently on the work of the Baptist Orphanage and used as his subject, "Security." Read from Psalm, Chapter 20.

Special selection.

Closing sermon by Rev. F. G. Walker, who pronounced the benediction.

IN MEMORIAM
OUR BELOVED DEAD

Mrs. Nelia Hoppers ---------- Bellview Church
Mrs. George Blevins ---------- Laurel Springs Church
Mac D. Wagoner ---------- Liberty Church
Glenn Holbrook ---------- Mt. Carmel
E. P. Tilley ---------- Mt. Carmel
Mrs. E. P. Tilley ---------- Mt. Carmel
Mrs. Estil Halsey ---------- New Hope

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee unanimously suggests the following to chart the course for the coming year, for the Alleghany Baptist Association:

Moderator—John M. Cheek.
Vice-Moderator—A. O. Joines.
Sec.-Treas.—Van Miller.
Executive Committee—
W. F. Doughton,
F. W. Royal,
N. D. Fox.

Submitted by:
John L. Joines
Rev. Wm. Hamm
J. F. Roberts
D. J. Jones
J. T. Fender,
Nominating Committee.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your committee has endeavored to help in the work of the Alleghany Association by securing aid from the State Mission Board for the pastors that were not getting adequate support from the churches they were serving. We hope that our churches will not continue to depend upon the State Mission Board for aid but will strive to become self-sustaining as soon as possible.

The committee would also like to recommend the following:

That we give time and energy to the Lord's work; build up attendance at worship services and Sunday schools; work for better support of the pastors and the objects fostered by our denomination. We also recommend the trial of the "Lord's Acre" plan to finance the work of the church as it has proved very successful in a number of churches in the State.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. Doughton
N. D. Fox

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Just as scientists are finding power in atoms, we can find power to apply to Kingdom work if we "Give attention to reading" and select that which has lasting value.

Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., who was reared in our sister county of Wilkes, has the following to say about power in print: "When Southern Baptists examine their sorry record of the past with reference to their support of their denominational journals they cannot help but blush. For with all the gains that have been experienced during the last five years in the way of increased circulation of our papers we have merely touched the hem of the garment of opportunity in the realm of the printed page as a channel for the good news of God in Christ Jesus. It is to be feared that many homes that receive our Baptist publications do not read them and thoroughly digest them. Only in proportion as Christian literature is read and assimilated will it have positive value for the individual. We should not stop until every home of our constituency is a regular subscriber to our state and southwide Baptist journals and until our Sunday school literature is a regular and welcome visitor in every home."

The Bible should come first in our reading material and be read with all diligence and then we have our own Baptist State paper, Biblical Recorder, a great influence for the education of Baptist; Southern Baptist Home Missions, published by our Home Mission Board; The Commission, by our Foreign Mission Board, two great forces for informing our people about missions. Charity and Children contains priceless reading material in addition to information concerning our Orphanage. Woman's Missionary Union has a large share in the educational work of Southern Baptists as women and young people are led to study the missionary message of the Bible, books on stewardship, prayer and soul-winning work. These three magazines—Royal Service, The Window of Y. W. A., and World Comrades—supply program material and current reading about Southern Baptist and other missionary work.

Keeping in mind all these sources of information, let us remember that "no man's judgment is better than his information," and determine to withhold judgment on matters about which we know little or nothing and to seek knowledge with diligence and intelligence.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL—1945

The underlying purpose of the Baptist Hospital has always been medical care for the poor. Since the day it received its first patient it has offered a high type of hospital care on a

statewide basis. When the Baptist Hospital became a teaching hospital, its purpose became twofold—teaching and healing, the twin endeavors of Christ.

The Baptist Hospital operates one of the fullest approved schools of nursing in the South, and at the present time has an enrollment of about 150 young ladies receiving professional training under Christian auspices. The students are selected under very high standards. These students come from all over North Carolina and represent the highest type of womanhood—mentally, physically and morally. While the most rigid scientific training is given the girls, the hospital takes great pride in the Christian and humane attitude it develops in these girls.

Of the 8,000 patients admitted as bed patients each year, slightly over 4 000 of these are service patients who pay no doctor's fee, and who pay but a slight portion of their hospital expenses. During 1944, approximately 3 000 of these service patients paid absolutely nothing toward their hospital bill.

The hospital gives diagnostic examinations to approximately 20,000 free patients who are not admitted to the hospital each year. The cost to the hospital of free service rendered during 1944 was $198,648.92.

The hospital has developed into one of the top ranking hospitals of our nation in the caliber of its medical work. In developing its medical program, care has been taken that the spiritual atmosphere of the hospital should develop to the same measure. Emphasis is given at every turn, in its educational program, in its employees, and with its patients to the spiritual needs of all coming in contact with the hospital. The religious program is under the direction of a full-time Chaplain and Student Secretary. This fine and fruitful service is made possible in part by the generosity of Mr. C. M. Scott, of High Point, North Carolina, who contributes toward the cost of the program. Due to the close touch which the nature of sickness allows the Chaplain to have with the patients, we have had many conversions and rededications in the hospital.

North Carolina Baptists have developed in their hospital one of the greatest medical centers in our country, and at the same time one of the strongest influences for the cause of Christ that exists in any land. Its huge opportunities for serving as an agency of mercy, as a means of teaching, and as a means of spreading the influence of Christ are a challenge to the generous heart of our great denomination that its program will not be restricted for lack of finances. All of its activities are operated on the highest of standards, and hence it requires a tremendous budget. It is self-supporting with the exception of its charity work, and it is for this merciful side of its program that North Carolina Baptists this year are giving over $100,000 through the Mother's Day program.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. P. Maxwell

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The aftermath of this war will increase threats to those rights which we cherish most, and intensify danger to those institutions which we love best. In times like these it is the indespensible duty of every Christian to be especially diligent in devising means to preserve, even enhance, the values of religious freedom and to provide adequately for those institutions which promote a great program of Christian education. We must maintain as bulwark of intellectual and religious freedom these beloved institutions upon which we must rely to train great Christian men and women as leaders in our Churches, our schools. our homes, mission fields, the profession and other vital areas Nothing can be more fundamentally essential toward giving stability and security to our manner of life than a great program of Christian education.

In the limited time before us let us consider first the need of Christian training. Second, that Christian education is the definite and distinct responsibility of Christians. Then some practical suggestions as to how we may discharge this sacred task.

1. The Need for Christian Education is evident. Efficient Christian training is absolutely essential in the creation and maintenance of well ordered society of the new day we confidently hope for. History is filled with many illustrations, for example, in Babylon, Persia, Greece and Rome, that no civilization can long endure without a solid moral foundation. The evident decree of the ages is that a staunch ship of state can not be built out of the rotten timbers of unregenerate humanity.

The present conditions are unsatisfactory. We realize that our program of Christian training is wholly inadequate for the impending crisis. In fact it is woefully inadequate now for the maintenance of a society worthy of our fighting men. When we think of our annual crime bill of fifteen billion dollars; four criminals to every school teacher, 700,000 boy and girl criminals, or three and one-fourth times as many as are enrolled in our colleges and universities; divorces increasing 500 per cent in two years time; when we see America rolling in luxury, rollicking in worldliness, reveling in sensuality, reeling in immorality, and rotting in all kinds of sin, it should stir the heart of every soul within the bounds of our land to humble repentance toward God and to a high and determinate resolution to mend his or her ways.

Again, our experience of the past, not yet one generation removed, should certainly quicken our sense of need for Christian education. After the Armistice of 1918 a new opportunity confronted us and we set out to build a new world, but some of the most glaring failures of humanity are recorded in the American history that followed. One of the vilest books ever written won the Nobel Prize. The evolution theory invaded the south.—including many colleges and universities. Morality waned and with it public opinion. Nudist colonies were estab-

lished, moving pictures descended to their lowest depths with the Clara Bow age. There was a decided falling away from our Churches. We produced the most noted criminals the world has ever known. Gangs of robbers appeared. The legislative, judicial, and executive departments of our governments placed their approval upon the manufacture and sale of whiskey. and on we might go describing those terrible days. Instead of ushering in a new and brighter era we permitted the world to become engulfed in the most barbarous and devastating war in history.

History has repeated itself, but may the God of Heaven forbid the repetition of the things we have just mentioned. Our men on the battle fronts of the world are not afraid to die but they do not want to die and should not have to die for naught. Unless we profit by our mistakes. We may hear the funeral bells tolling the doom of our civilization. Surely a person must be spiritually deaf, dumb and blind who does not realize the imperative need of Christian education.

II. The responsibility for Christian Training Is Definitely The Responsibility of Christians. The basis of morality is religion and religion is promoted by Christian training. The Christian Religion alone can produce the high moral standards needed for such a time as this. To Christians, therefore, falls the Herculean task of raising moral standards.

1. God has always depended upon human instrumentality to bring to pass His will in the earth. He has a well defined way for man's life. In the early days of His revelation He made His will known as he walked and talked with men. Later, through an elaborate ceremonial system, through smoking altars and bleeding victims, he sought to bring men to His way. At Sinai he gave the decalogue which formed the basis of moral and civil legislation for all time to come. Next he sent the prophets but when all seemed to fall short, He adopted His revelation to the mind of men and came in the person of His Son—not only to save men from a crooked and perverse generation but to give them His ideal for man's life.

2. The Son of Man was crucified but He arose again and before going back to His Father He declared "As the Father has sent me, even so send I you." Three times He very definitely commissioned His followers to establish His Kingdom on earth. This kingdom is the only sure basis for Christian Education.

3. It became expedient for Jesus to go back to the Father, but He returned to earth in person and the power of the Holy Spirit and took up His abode in the infant Church or in the lives of Christians. God thus possesses, indwells and works in and through us. It is now our glorious privilege, our distinct responsibility and our imperative duty to sense the Divine will and do all within our power to carry it out.

III. We can establish a great educational program which will provide adequately for the training of our youths.

1. Let us teach God's truth in our home. Teaching the Bible in the home was and still is a most essential part of the Divine

plan for home and family life. Teaching God's truth is the best delinquency preventive in the world for any home or nation.

2. Let us step up the teaching programs of our Churches. In addition to our regular Bible teaching curriculum which is increasingly effective, we can add other courses to meet the needs of our people. The young people should be taught the sacredness of marriage vows and God's pattern for a home. I can see constantly the need of a teaching clinic for delinquent parents in troubled homes. We have little trouble with children who come from the right kind of homes.

3. Our colleges and universities have perhaps the greatest opportunity of all to provide an enlargement program in Christian training. The constant contact of teachers with students offers unparalleled opportunities. I praise God for the countless thousands of Christian teachers who are measuring up in a great way and teaching by precept and example.

4. Finally, Christians can promote Christian living by expressing in action their protest against wrong. They can vote. They can speak out against crime and the lack of law enforcement. We can not legislate morals, but we surely can curb the activities of the immoral derelicts who major in destroying the very things our men are fighting and dying for.

Christians can raise the moral standards by providing an adequate program of Christian training and thereby build a better world in which to live.

A. O. Joines

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The chief aims of the Woman's Missionary Union are prayer, study, personal service and the misionary education of young people. Wisely has the watchword of the W. M. U. been chosen —"Laborers, together with God"—I Cor. 3:9.

The greatest organization in the church teaching missions is the Woman's Missionary society and its junior organizations. The Bible along with missionary magazines are the main sources from which our programs are presented each month.

In March of this year we had Miss Ruth Keller and Miss Iona Kemp Knight, field workers from Raleigh, N. C., with us. They each taught a very interesting Mission Study class.

Our annual meeting was held in May, with Scottville church. Mrs. John Wacaster, representing the State office, gave an inspiring message, "Henceforth in Fields of Conquest." Miss Margaret Marchman, a returned missionary, told of her experiences in Africa in an interesting address entitled, "With Deeds of Love and Mercy."

With the doors of the whole world open to us today, we are challenged to give ourselves anew to the watchword for the year—"Having the everlasting Gospel to preach unto them that dwell on earth and to every nation and kindred and tongue and people." Rev. 14:6.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. T. S. Moxley

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

For the past year, the same old serpent, "intoxicating drinks," has reared its head in our midst. Mute evidence of its trail has been wrecks, broken bones, hospital bills and death. Some are partially recovered, but the scars remain on both body and character of many of our citizens—our boys and girls. The scars remain for life.

The most simple and most effective remedy is within our hands. Everyone of us is guilty of contributing to this evil. As a rule, office seekers are plastic to the wishes of their voters. When we fail to vote for men who think straight, who walk straight, and who drive straight, we are blazing the trail for for the destruction and moral disgrace of our own neighbors.

The decree of the Sparta Town Council that wine and beer cannot be sold legally in our county seat is most commendable.

The vision and moral courage of these gentlemen is reason for hope and rejoicing for all who wish for a cleaner and happier community.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. T. Fender

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Wars may come and go, we may sign peace treaties, but the homeless child is ever with us. Wars have always been hazardous to homes and to childhood. During the past three years, many children have been born in this country who have never seen, and who will never see their fathers. These fathers have given their last full measure of devotion in service for their country. Others through dissipation and neglect have shirked their responsibility as parents and left helpless children dependent on Christian citizens.

Our orphanage is the most direct channel through which Baptists may render service to dependent children. It costs $675.00 a day to care for the large family now in the orphanage.

May we give our Sunday School collection one Sunday in each month along with our Thanksgiving offering to help feed and clothe these children.

We cannot build orphanages large enough to take care of all needy children.

Christian people should in some way stimulate fathers and mothers to rededicate themselves to the task of building good homes. Wrecked homes are the greatest tragedies of the present generation.

We win military victories in vain at the expense of our boys and girls, unless we can, here at home, win moral and spiritual victories that will unshackle the children of tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Van F. Miller

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Your Committee on Resolutions recommends that all churches in the Alleghany Baptist Association that haven't had a revival this year, do so before the end of the year 1945, and that each church endeavor to maintain an Ever Green Sunday School, a Baptist Training Union, an annual Daily Vacation Bible School, and that wherever a church hasn't now A Woman's Missionary Union, that one be organized as soon as possible. We also recommend to the Association that it maintain a committee on Evangelism and that this committee make an annual report to the Association the progress made in evangelism.

In behalf of the Baptist Association of Alleghany, we should like to give a rising vote of thanks to the people of Liberty Church for their most cordial hospitality, for their most excellent floral decorations and for their exceedingly delicious luncheons, for their fine spiritual fellowship and inspiring spirit of worship. And for all of this we are most graciously thankful.

F. G. Walker
W. H. Caldwell
Dorothy Evans

RESOLUTION CONCERNING WHITEHEAD PARSONAGE

Be It Resolved: That Ben G. Reeves, Eugene Shepherd, Herbert Osborne, Willie Hamm and J. T. Fender be and are hereby appointed a Special Committee on the Whitehead Parsonage to consider and report on the advisability of sub-dividing and offering for sale, at public auction, such part of said parsonage land as, in the opinion and judgment of said Committee, could be sold to the advantage of the whole Association. This Special Committee shall make report of its findings to the Executive Committee, and if it recommends the sale, then the Executive Committee shall sub-divide and offer for sale, at public auction, such part of the lands of the parsonage property as may be designated by said Special Committee. The Executive Committee shall reserve the right to sell in part or as a whole all land offered for sale, and power is hereby conferred upon the Executive Committee to have deed or deeds executed on behalf of the Association for any sale so approved. The net proceeds from any and all sales shall be divided into not less than three equal shares, and one share shall be offered to any church or group of churches that may desire to erect a parsonage, provided the location, amount of land and type of proposed building shall meet the full approval of said Executive Committee, and if so aproved, then title shall be conveyed to the Executive Committee, acting as Trustees of the Association. The property so conveyed shall be held for the benefit of the Missionary Baptist people of Alleghany county to be used as homes for resident pastors in the said Association.

No part of these funds may be used for current expenses of

any kind, but the entire fund must be invested in good real estate for the benefit of the Association.

Until such investment of funds can be effected, the treasurer of the Association shall receive and hold all funds, and he shall invest said funds in approved bonds, and all interest received shall be added to the principal sum. The treasurer shall make a report at the annual meeting of the Association. He shall also execute such bond for safe guarding such funds as may be required of him by the Executive Committee, and he shall disburse no funds except on its written order.

CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution to churches, the body of these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitute in the bounds and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.
5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprinted from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886)."

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testaments—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovernty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the ressurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan
I. W. Thomas
C. J. Woodson
J. F. Fletcher
E. L. Tucker
Committee.

Table I. Church Membership, Etc., Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept., 1945.

CHURCHES—Pastors and Post Offices	When Constituted	Mem. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters (Gains)	Statements	Letters (Losses)	Deaths	To. Present Mem.	Non-Resident Mem.	Revivals Held	Lord's Supper	Taking Bap. Paper
Bellview—Rev. E. B. Barton, Sparta	1909	26					1	26	10	1		
Chestnut Grove—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1897	29	4		3	2		34	10	1	1	
Laurel Springs—Rev. E. B.Barton, Sparta	1891	75	4	1		1	1	78	20	1	1	6
Liberty—Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Whitehead	1881	48	5				1	52	17	1	1	8
Mt. Carmel—Rev. John Weatherman, State Road	1884	60	4	1		1	3	59	25	1	1	
New Hope	1881	26		1			1	26	10			
New River—Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence Va.	1939	24		8				32	0	2	1	
Osborne Memorial—Rev. E. B. Barton, Sparta	1943	66	2	2				70	0	1	1	
Pine Fork	1898	34	0	0	1			35	17	1	1	1
Scottsville—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	1925	76						76		1	1	
Sparta—Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta	1886	127	1	2	2	4		128	45		2	10
TOTAL		591	20	15	6	8	7	616	154	10	10	25

Erasures: Mt. Carmel, 2; Weekly Prayer Meetings: New River; Musical Director: Chestnut Grove, Sparta: Library: Sparta. Days of Meeting: Bellview, 2nd Sat. & Sun.; Chestnut Grove 2nd & 4th; Laurel Spgs., 1st & 3rd; Liberty, 2nd; Mt. Carmel, 1st Sat. Night & Sun.; New Hope, 2nd; New River, 3rd; Osborne Memorial, 1st & 3rd; Pine Fork 2nd; Scottville, 2nd; Sparta, Every Sunday. Location: Sparta, town; All Others, county.

TABLE II. Sunday Schools of Alleghany Baptist Association, State of N. C., Year Ending September, 1945.

CHURCHES—Superintendents and Post Offices	Cradle Roll Under 3-Yrs	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Int'mediates 13-16 Yrs.	Yg. People 17-24 Yrs.	Adults, 25 Yrs. Up	Gen. & Dept. Officers	Total Enrollment	Avg. Attendance	Enrollment Va. School	Avg. Attendance V. Sc.	Depts. Vacation School
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	21		21			27	12	4	81	18	19	14	3
Chestnut Grove—Omar Edwards, Sparta	5		13		10		39	5	72	27	36	27	3
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	6	2	5	4	6	3	12	5	46	21	33	26	3
Liberty—Mrs. Jettie Mathews, Whitehead	5	4	10	8	11		12	4	54	13	40	28	3
Mt. Carmel—Steward Lyon, Roaring River									50	33			
New Hope—No Sunday School													
New River—Oscar Shumate, Sparta		10			10	5	15	5	45	35			
Osborne Memorial—Herbert Osborne, Piney Creek		9	8	10	12		12	5	56	35	82	80	3
Pine Fork—No Sunday School													
Scottsville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottsville	1	1	1	4	3	4	5	3	91	12	22	18	3
Sparta—Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta	6	4	12	19		15	23	3	89	45	102	60	3

Extension Dept.: Laurel Spgs., 8; Mission Sunday School: Scottville; Enrollment Mis. S. S.: Scottville, 70; Baptisms from S. S.: Laurel Spgs., 4; School Graded: Sparta.

TABLE IV. W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts—Baptist Association, Year Ending September, 1945

CHURCHES—Presidents of W. M. S. and Post Offices	Number of W. M. S.'s	To. W. M. U. Org'zations	W. M. S. Members	To. Members Enrolled	To. Enrolled Mis. S. Co's	W. M. U. Contributions (Local)	W. M. U. Contributions (Missions)
Bellview							
Chestnut Grove							
Laurel Springs—Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs	1	1	6	6			$92.99
Liberty — Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	1	1	10				$28.00
Mt. Carmel							
New Hope							
New River							
Osborne Memorial							
Pine Fork							
Scottville—Mrs. J. C. Maines, Scottville	1	1	10				
Sparta—Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Whitehead	2	2	29		18	$9.55	$86.67

TABLE VI. Church Property of Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending September, 1945

CHURCHES—Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own House of Worship?	When Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Number Sep. Rooms	Value Church	Value Pastor's Home	To. Value Property	Insurance Carried
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	Yes	1912	Wood	200	1		$ 1,000.		$ 1,000.	
Chestnut Grove—Wayne Edwards, Sparta	Yes	1939	Brick	250	1		1,500.	1,700	3,200.	
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Sparta	Yes	1932	Brick	300	1	4	3,000.		3,000.	$ 1,500.
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1	3	600.	1,700.	3,300	
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Devotion	Yes	1908	Wood	300	1		1,000.		1,000.	
New Hope—D. J. Jones, Stratford	Yes	1884	Wood	250	1		1,600	1,600.		
New River	Yes	1944	Stone	150	3	3	2,500.			
Osborne Memorial—Carrye Phipps, Piney Creek	Yes	1944	Brick	300		3				
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Whitehead	Yes	1898	Wood	200	1	3	1,500.	1,500.		
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville	Yes	1925	Wood	300	4	3	1,500.		1,500.	
Sparta—Mrs. Ben G. Reeves, Sparta	Yes	1940	Brick	400	10	10	19,000.	11,000.	30,000.	13,300.

Dept. Assembly Rooms: New River, 3; Scottville, 3; Sparta, 3.

TABLE VII. Gifts for Local Church Work of Allegheny Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept., 1945

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurer and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., Etc.	For Printing Minutes and Clerk	Building Reserve Fund	Total All Purposes	Churches En. Min. Re.
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	74.88			9.85	1.90	2.00		88.63	No
Chestnut Grove—Lena Edwards, Sparta	186.10	47.50			12.83	1.00		247.43	No
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	417.00	31.00		44.00	20.00	14.00		546.00	Yes
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	151.76	10.00		15.00	11.12	4.00		201.93	No
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royall, Devotion	82.81	43,47		.60		3.00		156.18	No
New Hope—Miss Donna Jones, Furches	50.00		15.00			2.00	100.00	167.00	No
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta	26.00		5.70			3.00	128.00	173.70	No
Osborne Memorial—Dorothy Young, Stratford	180.00		2,071.18	10.30	30.00	4.50		2,375.98	No
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Whitehead	141.33	34.00	2.00	10.00	13.00	2.00		202.33	No
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville	124.30	20.00		8.00	10.00	3.50		155.80	No
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	763.39	110.00	1,142.26	232.23	71.13	5.00	700.00	3,066.26	Yes
TOTAL	2,197.57	295.97	3,236.14	329.98	169.98	44.00	928.00	7,381.24	

Other Salaries: Laurel Spgs., $20.00; Osborne Me., $80.00; Church Debt. Int.: Osborne Memorial, $271.18; Help Given to Local Poor: Liberty, $10.00; New River. $11.00; Other Objects: Mt. Carmel, $26.30; Sparta, $42.25; Pledged To Co-op. Program: Chestnut Grove, $15.00; Liberty, $20.00; Mem. Sub. Church Bud.: New Hope, 15; Val. Food, Clothing Given Orphanage: Liberty, $56.00; New Hope, $20.00.

Table VIII. Gifts for Missions, Education and all Benevolences, Alleghany Bap. Ass'n, Year Ending Sept., 1945

CHURCHES—Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Total to Co-op. Program	Special to Home Miss'ns	Special to For. Missions	Spc. to Schools & Col.	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Other Objects	To. for Missions, etc.	Grand Total—All Purposes
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches						5.15		5.15	93.73
Chestnut Grove—Wayne Edwards, Sparta						10.00		10.00	257.43
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	80.49			50.00	30.16	18.60	92.99	302.61	818.61
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	16.35	13.25		3.00	95.50	10.50		138.60	340.53
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Devotion						35.75		35.75	191.93
New Hope—Miss Dona Jones, Stratford	10.00				20.00			30.00	197.00
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta			5.70		5.00	11.00		21.70	192.40
Osborne Memorial—Dorothy Young, Stratford						68.65		68.65	2,425.13
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Whitehead					12.00	12.75		24.75	227.03
Scottville—George Perry, Scottville	4.75				6.00	7.00		20.75	176.55
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	12.32	4.25	7.87	3.00	4.00	23.40	5.94	106.86	3.173.12
TOTAL	123.91	17.50	13.57	56.00	172.66	202.80	98.93	764.82	8,093.66

Special to Asso. Missions: Sparta, 50c; Special to State Missions: Laurel Spgs., $18.37; Sparta, $3.00; Special to Theo. Sem., Sparta, $2.00; Special to Ministers' Retirement Fund: Laurel Springs, $12.00, Sparta, $26.64; Red Cross and Foreign Relief: Scottville, $3.00; Sparta, $12.00.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County as Ashe and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1900.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1886, Sept. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sept. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collis	James Eller
3. 1888, Sept. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sept. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sept. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sept. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sept. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sept. 14-16	Apple Grove	T M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sept. 13-15	Healing Spr'gs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sept. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sept. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sept. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sept. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sept. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sept. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sept. 9-11	Laurel Spr'gs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sept. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sept. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sept. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sept. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sept. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21. 1917, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22. 1918, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23. 1919, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sept. 10-12	Chestnut Grove	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sept. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek

26.	1922, Sept. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sept. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28.	1924, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sept. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sept. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sept. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sept. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sept. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sept. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sept. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sept. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sept. 6-8	Laurel Spr'gs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sept. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royal	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sept. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sept. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945, Sept. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton

MINUTES

— OF THE —

Alleghany Baptist Association

FIFTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

— HELD WITH —

OSBORNE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

STRATFORD, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1946

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Next Session Will Be Held With

SCOTTVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Scottville, N. C.

September 13, 14, 1947

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Introductory Sermon By:

Rev. Clarence Gwaltney
Elkin, N. C.

Alternate, Rev. Fred Blevins
North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Directory of Officers and Committees

Dr. N. D. Fox, Moderator ---------- Sparta, N. C.

A. O. Joines, Vice-Moderator ---------- Sparta, N. C.

Walter P. Johnson, Clerk and Treasurer -------- Sparta, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. F. Doughton, Chairman ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.
J. F. Fender ---------- Whitehead, N. C.
Dan Jones ---------- Route 3, Sparta, N. C.

COMMITTEES ON REPORTS FOR 1947

1. **Representative of Baptist Publications**—Mr. Van Miller.

2. **Hospital**—E. C. Minnich.

3. **Orphanage**—Mrs. Tom Moxley.

4. **Temperance**—Rev. E. B. Barton.

5. **Missions**—Mrs. Ruth Choate.

6. **Education**—Joe Bill Reed.

7. **Evangelism**—Rev. F. G. Walker, Rev. Fred Blevins.

8. **Director of Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

9. **Director of Training Union**—Swanson Edwards.

10. **Associational Sunday School Superintendent**—A. O. Joines.

11. **Committee on Whitehead Parsonage**—Ben Reeves, J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek .

12. **Committee on History of Alleghany Association**—John M. Cheek, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton, Hon. R. L. Doughton.

13. **Director of Daily Vacation Bible School**—Miss Irene Richardson.

RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. F. G. Walker ---------- Sparta, N. C.
Rev. W. H. Caldwell ---------- Sparta, N. C.
Rev. Fred Blevins ---------- Wilkesboro, N. C.
Rev. E. B. Barton ---------- Sparta, N. C.
Rev. William Hamm ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.
Rev. Lee Woodruff ---------- Sparta, N. C.

Constitution

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution to churches, the body of these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitute in the bounds and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.

5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886)."

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovernty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan
I. W. Thomas
C. J. Woodson
J. F. Fletcher
E. L. Tucker
Committee.

Proceedings

The fiftieth annual session of the Alleghany Baptist Association met with Osborne Memorial Church at Stratford, R. F. D., N. C., on September 7 and 8, 1946.

The morning session was called to order by the Moderator, John M. Cheek. The congregation joined in singing. Devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. E. B. Barton.

Visitors recognized were: R. M. Hauss of Shelby (representing Allied League); F. A. Blevins, Brushy Mountain Association.

Report of Executive Committee made by W. F. Doughton, Chairman. Report adopted.

Report on Woman's Missionary Union was given by Mrs. A. O. Joines, and the report was adopted.

Report on Religious Literature was given by Mrs. R. E. Richardson, and the report was adopted.

Report on Evangelism was given by F. G. Walker, and the report was adopted.

The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Committee on Order of Business: Rev. E. B. Barton, A. O. Joines and Pauline Osborne.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher: F. W. Royal, F. W. Cheek, D. J. Jones, M. E. Reeves and Dr. N. D. Fox.

Committee on Resolutions: Swanson Edwards, A. O. Joines, and Thelma Osborne.

Committee on Nominations: John L. Joines, T. S. Moxley, Willie Hamm, Herbert Osborne and M. E. Reeves.

At this time Dr. W. K. McGee of the Pilot Mountain Association was recognized.

Report on Baptist Hospital—Report not given.

Report on Temperance by Mrs. J. T. Fender. Report adopted. Followed by address by R. M. Hauss.

Address by Dr. W. K. McGee, Religious Director of the Baptist Hospital.

The congregation joined in singing the hymn, "Precious Name."

Introductory sermon by H. W. Caldwell, reading from Isaiah 6-5 and John 12-21.

Benediction by F. A. Blevins.

Lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30 O'CLOCK

Devotional by W. M. Hamm.

Reading from the last chapter of Hebrews.

Report on Daily Vacation Bible School by Mrs. Paul Swanson. Report adopted.

Report on Training Union was given by E. C. Minnich.

Report on Christian Education by A. O. Joines. Report adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools was made by Dr. N. D. Fox.

Report on Missions by Mrs. F. G. Walker. Report adopted.

Report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher by F. W. Royal. Time: Second Sunday and Saturday before. Place: Scottville. Preacher: Clarence Gaultney, of Elkin.

Visitors recognized were: Claude Gaddy and Everett Miller, Field Rep. of Meredith College. Mr. Gaddy spoke briefly on Christian Education.

Report on Resolutions by Swanson Edwards. Report adopted.

Address by Mr. M. A. Huggins, Secretary of the Baptist State Convention.

Report of Nominating Committees.

SUNDAY MORNING—10:30 O'CLOCK

September 8

The session was called to order by the Moderator, J. M. Cheek. Selection by the Sparta Choir and Devotional by F. A. Blevins. Reading from James 1-19. Prayer by W. F. Doughton.

Special selection by the Sparta Choir.

Report on the Orphanage by Mrs. Van Miller. Report Adopted.

Address by Congressman Robt. L. Doughton.

Dr. I. G. Greer was introduced by Congressman Doughton. Address by Dr. Greer, using as his subject, "The Rights of a Child."

Special selection, "The Ninety and Nine," by Walter Johnson.

Sermon by F. G. Walker, using John 5-40 and Luke 19-41 as a text.

Benediction.

In Memoriam

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Mrs. R. L. Doughton ---------- Laurel Springs Church
Dr. B. C. Waddell ---------- New Hope Church

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee unanimously suggests the following to chart the course for the coming year, for the Alleghany Baptist Association:

Moderator ---------- Dr. N. D. Fox
Vice-Moderator ---------- A. O. Joines
Secretary-Treasurer ---------- Walter P. Johnson
Executive Committee ---------- W. F. Doughton
J. T. Fender
Dan J. Jones

Submitted by:
John L. Joines
Rev. Wm. Hamm
T. S. Moxley
Herbert Osborne
M. E. Reeves
Nominating Committee.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We read in the Gospels that Jesus went about preaching, teaching, and healing and that He sent forth His disciples to do specifically the same three things. We have accepted literally these three commissions—Christian Missions, the preaching of salvation unto final redemption; Christian Education, on the training of the saved to the perfecting of personality; and Christian benevolence, or ministering to the sick, the orphaned, the aged, the needy in all society.

Early in our American history we adopted the name "Missionary Baptist" in order to emphasize our conviction as to the freeness of Salvation and the obligation of every believer to cooperate with God in offering the Gospel to all men everywhere. Thus from the days of William Carey and Judson we have thought to obey the Savior's Great Commission to go into the whole world and disciple all nations. Our local churches at the same time have been intensely evangelistic, believing that the light that shines the farthest in the earth beams brightest at home—In the mountains, along the streams, on the seashore, on the plains, and "where cross the crowded ways of life" our people have pressed with passionate zeal the basic business of soul-winning. It was superbly illustrated last year when we strove to win a million souls to Christ within the twelve months.

While we call ourselves Missionary Baptists, we might with equal propriety be called educational Baptist, for we have always emphasized the second part of the Savior's Great Commission: To teach whatsoever things He has commanded. From the early days of Luther Rice who went up and down the country exhorting his people to found Christian colleges, we have ardently espoused such institutions. The result is that we have in our own beloved state, Wake Forest, Mars Hill, Campbell, Meredith, and other worthy institutions of learning. Under the plan of reorganization Wake Forest faces a new day and the Baptists of North Carolina have greatly enlarged opportunities for service.

Our interest in religious education may be measured on much larger scale in agencies as set up in more than 24,000 Sunday Schools in the Southland, with an enrollment of approximately 4,000,000 pupils. It is accentuated also in our huge publishing plant, the Baptist Sunday School Board which during the year did nearly $5,000,000 worth of periodical and book business. We have twenty Baptist newspapers, which exceed 700,000, in circulation, augmented by far-sounding messages of our unsponsored radio commissions.

We are not only pleased to be called Missionary and educational Baptist, but we aspire gladly to be called benevolent Baptist—confessing our sore shortcomings in failing to attain to the scriptural standard of Stewardship, we cherish with pride the immense Baptist Hospital of Winston-Salem, and Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville.

Upon the threefold program of Jesus as carried out by Baptist and other fellow Christians of other communions will de-

pend the destiny of the world. The hope of a just and permanent peace depends more than ever upon the spiritual transformation of the race. The ultimate security of the world depends on the spiritual attitudes of men. These attitudes will be created by Christian evangelism, Christian Education, and Christian social actions by the nations of the world.

Respectfully submitted,
A. O. Joines.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

A few days ago as I hurriedly looked at a Southern Baptist Minute, a brief paragraph attracted my attention. It ran like this: "The WMU through her ministry of missionary teaching and training is a comrade-in-service. She helps to lay the foundation upon which we build. She plants the seed in the hearts of those who give and those who go. She holds up the vision of the world needs of Christs' gospel." This statement was made by Dr. M. T. Rankin, Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

To live up to this high standard we must continuously be about the King's business. We are facing today the greatest challenge the Christians of the world have ever faced. There are countless hosts of lost souls whose lives are broken, whose hearts are broken, and whose spirits are broken. Only Jesus can give joy and peace to such people.

Surely, we must help those in need by giving them the Bible, by taking time to pray for the lost and by sending missionaries to the disillusioned people of the earth. The radio and aeroplanes have made the nations of the earth new neighbors. America can no longer be a political, economical or spiritual isolationist.

It was to send the light that the WMU was formed. Many of our members have served loyally and faithfully. Our women have worked with a definite purpose and the result is that progress has been made.

The annual meeting was held in June with Sparta Baptist Church using "Christ for the World." Miss Ora Lee of Greensboro, a Missionary to China, delivered an address on "The Urgency of Making Christ Known To The World" and Mrs. E. C. James of Elkin, our other guest speaker, spoke on the subject, "The World for Christ." Reports were made by the officers and committee chairman.

The W. M. U. through the graded program of Missionary education seeks to meet the needs of the boys and girls. The afternoon program was devoted chiefly to them when the local boys and girls presented special music and a playlet, "Who Leads the Child."

Baptists have a great responsibility in forwarding the growth of a Christian world. Missions is one invisible program of carrying out the last command of our Lord. To this end let us give our prayers and our material gifts with enthusiasm, that the days to come may bring marvelous victories. Jehovah's call

rings out in our watchword "Look unto me and be saved, all ye ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else." Is. 45.22.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

If we could only grasp the significance of the value contained in Religious Literature, surely we would in a larger measure avail ourselves of the opportunity for spiritual and intellectual growth by selecting more of our reading material from this class of literature. It is alarming to know how many magazines are sold and read depicting—as Dr. Poteat of Wake Forest College expressed it—"the goatish capers of the morons of Hollywood" and the so-called "Truth Magazine" which are so demoralizing in their influence."

"When we read we know
When we know we care
When we care we give
Therefore, let us read"

But let us give attention to what we read so that we care for and give to the right things, not only our money but our time, thought, and talents as well.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said that the rising tide of crime can only indicate that too many of our people are ignorant of the fundamental moral principals found in the Ten Commandments which guided our Godfearing forefathers in founding this country and making it great. In a world which is almost glamour and money mad we must somehow realize the need for basic moral fiber.

Let us open our Bibles and learn anew the fundamental principles of right and wrong and the standard by which men must live, if they obey the will of God. May we also learn more of our work and workers, at home, and all over the world; the needs of a perilous world and our own responsibilities through our State Baptist papers, our Southern Baptist Convention Literature and the Woman's Missionary Unions publications. Thereby, we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Evangelism originated in the heart of God. This is evident by the gift of His Son to save a lost world (John 3:16). Jesus stated that His primary purpose for coming into the world was to seek and to save that which was lost (Luke 19:10).

Today it is "Evangelize or Fossilize." We may take our choice. If our churches do not evangelize the world, the world will take the churches. Southern Baptist and State Baptist leaders realize the unparellel opportunities for winning the lost to Christ, and they are, therefore, now doing more planning more writing, and more talking about evangelism than this generation has ever known. Concerted and cooperative action on the part of the Baptist leaders and professing Christians is

the need of the hour. Literally millions in Southern Baptist territory know not Christ. If Southern Baptists were obedient to Christ's command they would literally go into the highways and hedges and compel the unsaved multitude to come to Jesus seeking salvation for their souls.

The fact is that intensified evangelistic work is the greatest need of our church today. Every professing Christian ought to be an evangelistic power in the hands of God to bring lost men to Christ. The minister who neglects to sound the evangelistic note, who fails to press home with loving zeal, the plea of the Gospel upon the hearts of his hearers, or who does not seek to bring his hearers to a definite decision for Christ, is missing the greatest opportunity that has ever come to him. The supreme business of any church is soul winning.

Jesus said to the fishermen, "Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Matt. 4:19. Alleghany Baptists need to hear and answer that call. According to the best information I have more than half of the total population of Alleghany County has never professed the name above every name, the name Jesus as their Savior. This is the greatest challenge Alleghany Baptists have. May God grant that 1947 will be the greatest year in soul-winning the Association has ever known.

We urge that this Association continue to select a superintendent of evangelism to serve with the moderator, in cooperation with the Southern Baptist forces, to direct our efforts in this most blessed and glorious movement.

Respectfully submitted,
F. G. Walker.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Temperance covers many activities of life. In this report I refer primarily to one—namely, alcoholic, beverages which are more detrimental to human welfare and character than all others combined.

According to the report of the head doctors of John Hopkins hospital where they treat diseases, we have in the U. S. approximately 40 million social drinkers, 2 million heavy drinkers, six hundred and fifty thousand diseased drinkers. There are three classes: The social drinkers, the heavy drinkers, and the diseased drinkers. The social drinkers include most of the law makers of the State and nation.

Night clubs, road houses, community halls, social gatherings or whereever they tip their cocktails there are they who popularize and pretend it stylish to sip the wine and beer. As an example, in this State at Raleigh time and time again an effort has been made to allow you the privilege of a State wide vote on the liquor question—but a hand full of our law makers and liquor friends say "No, thou shalt not vote."

We sent to Raleigh to legislate the social class-drinkers, which includes some church members out of which come the heavy drinkers, the pitiful, hopeless diseased drinkers.

This is a brief statement of a situation in which we find ourselves. What's the cause? What's the cure?

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. T. Fender.

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The vacation Bible School should be a "must" in our churches, the children are eager to learn the Bible, and their minds are plastic in our hands, because in the Vacation Bible School, they work, sing, read the Bible, and learn how to share with each other.

Each church should endeavor to sponsor its own school, and start now, planning for next year.

This year 212 boys and girls attended our vacation Bible schools.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Paul Swanson.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

The backwash of war is presenting the orphanage workers some acute problems. Among these are increased cost of living, the difficulty in securing a well equipped staff, the inability to secure material for needed repairs to buildings and the still more serious concern of how to meet the problems in the ever increasing number of broken homes.

In spite of those difficulties the orphanage has had a successful year, due to the loyalty and liberality of friends.

The farm activities have proven to be life savers since food has been produced for one third less than they would have cost on the open market. There has been an abundance of small grain, corn, meat, eggs and milk grown this year. Vegetables of all kinds have been grown and canned for winter use. Our orphanage has one of the best grade herds of beef cattle in the state.

"Charity and Children" has had one of the best years in its history. Circulation of the paper has reached 36,000. The results of the Social Service department have been most gratifying. These results cover services rendered children in three types, namely, institutional care, foster home care and aid in the home.

A total of 700 children were cared for during the year. 598 at the two homes, 48 in foster homes and 54 through mother's aid.

Applications for assistance in the past year increased 7%, 122 new children were admitted to the orphanage. Case work service was made available to over 1200 children.

Since it has been possible to secure a full staff of teachers, schools have been more efficient. The average attendance has been slightly above 99%.

The church life and its various activities in the two homes is and should be the most positive influence in the lives of our boys and girls. Under the leadership of the two able pastors,

the churches at Kennedy Home and Mills Home compare favorably with other churches in the denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Tom Moxley, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the people of Osborne Memorial Church and of this community have so unstintedly given of their hospitality, so graciously shared their Christian fellowship, and have so bountifully prepared the delicious food to make the meeting of this Association possible, your Committee on Resolutions wishes to extend to them, in behalf of the Alleghany County Baptist Association, sincere appreciation, manifested by giving them a rising vote of thanks. We also wish to express our appreciation for all who participated in the program of this session of the Association, especially for the inspirational addresses of the visiting speakers.

There have been presented to this Committee requests that this Committee recommend to the Association that the future meeting of this Association be changed from Saturday and Sunday to two days near the middle of the week. Because this matter has not previously been presented to the Association, this Committee feels that we are not in position to make such a recommendation, but, instead, we wish to recommend that this matter be brought before this session of the Association at an opportune time, be declared open for discussion, and in case a decision cannot be reached amiably, that a committee composed of members, one from each of the churches in the Association, be appointed to make an investigation of the matter and report same to the next meeting of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Swanson Edwards, Chairman
A. O. Joines
Thelma Osborne.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

As requested by the committee appointed by the Alleghany Association at its 1945 session we divided the Whitehead Parsonage land and left 6 or 8 acres including the dwelling, barn and orchard, also wood land, at the north side of the boundary. The balance of the land was divided into 14 lots, advertised and sold, bringing $5,430.00, the expense of sale and making deeds and etc. were $44.45, leaving a balance of $5,385.55. The money for the lots is deposited in the Northwestern Bank of Sparta in the name of W. F. Doughton, trustee. We think the land sold brought its worth and the money is now the property of the association. No other business came before the committee as all the churches have pastors and no requests were received from any of the churches for aid.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. Doughton
N. D. Fox.

REPORT OF SALE OF WHITEHEAD PARSONAGE LAND

SALE OF LOTS:

Lot No. 1—M. H. Scott	$ 410.00
Lot No. 2—Mrs. James Armfield	290.00
Lot No. 3 & 4—Edd Miller	830.00
Lot No. 5 & 6—G. R. Landreth	960.00
Lot No. 7 & 8—Odell Crouse	780.00
Lot No. 9-10-11-12—R. G. Joines	1,750.00
Lot No. 13—F. G. Walker	205.00
Lot No. 14—N. D. Fox	205.00
TOTAL	$5,430.00

EXPENSES:

Attorney	$25.00
Acknowledgement of deeds	4.50
Registration fees	8.00
Stamps	4.95
Help to survey	2.00
TOTAL	$44.45
Amount stiill on time deposit in bank	$5,385.55

CHURCHES AND MESSENGERS

CHESTNUT GROVE—Howard Brooks, S. L. Perry, Belva Brooks, Willard Edwards, Mattie Mooney, Annie Perry, Worth Harless.

LAUREL SPRINGS—W. F. Doughton, T. S. Moxley, T. C. Osborne, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. E. W. Shepherd.

LIBERTY—A. O. Joines, J. T. Fender, Mrs. E. E. Caudell, Mrs. Mae Housier, Mrs. E. F. Hoppers, Mrs. W. M. Wagoner, Miss Jennie Watson, Mrs. Talmadge Hamm.

NEW HOPE—Floyd Roupe, Paul Swanson, Mrs. D. J. Jones, Miss Cleo Jones, Mrs. Ruth Choate, Wiley McMillan.

NEW RIVER—Charlie Pollard, Oscar Shumate, Robert Anders, Preston Maines, Howard Hodge, Pet Maines.

MT. CARMEL—Lee M. Woodruff, F. W. Royal, Earl Woodruff, Jane Royal, Juanita Spicer, Hattie Woodruff.

OSBORNE MEMORIAL—Earl Delp, Ray Parlier, Clinton Young, A. M. Osborne.

PINE FORK—Rev. Willie Hamm, J. T. Roberts, W. S. Myers, Edd Dancy, C. S. Wyatt, Mrs. Verna Long, Mrs. Effie Pruitte.

SCOTTVILLE—Mrs. Marvin Fowlkes, Oscar Perry, Mrs. Oscar Perry, Mr. Frell Perry, Mrs. Richard Jones, Miss Elizabeth Shepherd.

SPARTA—Mr. Amos Wagoner, Mr. Singletary, Dr. N. D. Fox, Swanson Edwards, Mrs. Ross Richardson, Mrs. Singletary.

Table 1. Church Membership, Etc., Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept., 1946.

CHURCHES—Pastors and Post Offices	Year Organized	Baptisms	By Letter (Gains)	Other Additions	By Letter (Losses)	By Death	Other Losses	Present Resident	Non-resident Mem.	Grand Total Mem.	Revivals Held	To. Val. Church Prop.
Bellview—Rev. E. B. Barton, Sparta, N. C.	1909	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	10	26	0	$ 1,000
Chestnut Grove—Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	1897	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	12	37	1	1,500
Laurel Springs—	1891	0	0	0	0	1	0	42	27	69	0	3,500
Liberty—Rev. Fred A. Blevins, Wilkesboro	1881	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	32	48	0	3,300
Mt. Carmel—Rev. Fred A. Blevins, Wilkesboro	1884	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	25	59	1	1,000
New Hope—Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta	1881	3	3	0	1	1	0	29	10	39	1	1,600
New River—Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	1939	1	1	0	1	1	0	37	0	37	1	2,500
Osborne Memorial—Rev. E. B. Barton, Sparta	1943	6	0	3	1	0	0	77	5	82	2	5,000
Pine Fork—Rev. Fred A. Blevins, Wilkesboro	1893	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	35	1	1,500
Scottville—	1925	2	0	0	0	0	0	30	46	76	1	1,500
Sparta—Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta	1886	15	12	0	4	0	0	140	11	151	2	40,000
TOTAL		27	16	3	7	3	0	481	178	659	10	$62,400

Dates of Meeting: Bellview, 2nd; Chestnut Grove, 2nd: Laurel Springs, 3rd; Liberty, 3rd; Mt. Carmel, 1st; New Hope, 1st and 3rd; New River, 3rd; Osborne Memorial, 1st and 3rd; Pine Fork, 4th; Scottville, 2nd; Sparta, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th. Number of Revival Meetings Held: Chestnut Grove, 1; Mt. Carmel, 1; New Hope, 1; New River, 1; Osborne Memorial 2; Pine Fork, 1; Scottville, 1; Sparta, 2. Spent on buildings last year: Osborne Memorial, $300; Sparta, $4,000. Church Debt: Osborne Memorial, $300; Sparta, $1,000. Location: Sparta, Town; All Others, county.

Table II. Sunday Schools of Alleghany Baptist Association, State of N. C., Year Ending September, 1946.

CHURCHES—Superintendents and Post Offices	Cradle Roll Under 3-Yrs.	Beginners 4-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Intermediates 13-16 Yrs.	Young People 17-24 Yrs.	Adults 25 Yrs. Up	Gen. & Dept. Officers	Total Enrolment	Avg. Attendance	Enrolment V. School	Avg. Attendance
Bellview— C. E. Jones, Furches									79	14		
Chestnut Grove—											15	8
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	2	4	6	4	6	6	10	2	48	25		
Liberty—Mrs. J. K. Blum, Whitehead	3			4			14		31	18	20	20
Mt. Carmel—Lee Woodruff, Sparta									72	32		
New Hope—Mrs. Paul Swanson, Scottville	16	5	6	8	9	9	26		79	22	32	23
New River—Oscar Shumate, Sparta			10	8	12	8	50		88	20	30	25
Osborne Memorial—Herbert Osborne, Piney Creek			8		7	12	10		37	30	33	22
Pine Fork—Kemp Taylor, Laurel Springs										18		
Scottville—Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls, Scottville		2	3	3			5	6	54		14	12
Sparta—Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta	9	10	10	4	12	14	47	2	108	75	55	30
TOTALS	30	21	43	31	46	49	162	10	666	254	199	145

Extension Dept.: Laurel Springs, 6. Enrolment of Mission Sunday School: Scottville, 35. Vacation Bible School: Chestnut Hill, Liberty, New Hope, New River, Osborne Memorial, Pine Fork, Scottville, Sparta.

Table III. Training Unions of Alleghany Baptist Association For Year Ending September, 1946.

CHURCHES—Directors and Post Offices	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	To. Unions & Story Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	To. No. Gen. & Dept. Off.	Total Enrolment	Avg. Attendance
Bellview—Mrs. Ola Reeves, Furches		1				1		60					60	24
Chestnut Grove—No Union														
Laurel Springs—No Union														
Liberty—No Union														
Mt. Carmel—No Union														
New Hope—No Union														
New River—No Union														
Osborne Memorial—No Union														
Pine Fork—No Union														
Scottville—No Union														
Sparta—Miss Dorothy Evans, Sparta	2	1	1	1	1	6	16	8	8	12	12	11	67	23
TOTALS	2	2	1	1	1	7	16	68	8	12	12	11	127	47

Table IV. W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts—Alleghany Baptist Association, Year Ending September, 1946.

CHURCHES—Presidents of W. M. S. and Post Offices	Number of W. M. U.'s	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	To. W.M.U. Or'zations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members	Enrolled Mission Study	Con. (Local) W. M. U.	Con. (Missions) W.M.U.
Bellview															
Chestnut Hill															
Laurel Springs	1					1	10					10		$	$ 72.00
Liberty	1					1	10					10		5.00	10.00
Mt. Carmel															
New Hope															
New River															
Osborne Memorial															
Pine Fork															
Scottville															
Sparta—Mrs. F. G. Walker, Sparta	1	1	1	1	1	5	17	3	5	4	12	41	17	719.59	91.30
TOTALS	3	1	1	1	1	7	37	3	5	4	12	61	17	$ 724.59	$ 173.30

Table VI: Gifts For Local Work of Church—Alleghany Baptist Association.

CHURCHES—TREASURERS AND P. O.	Pastor's Salary	Incidentals	Assistant Pastor, Etc.	Revival Expenses, Etc.	Literature, Etc.	Help for Local Poor	Minutes & Clerk of Asso.	Other Objects	Total for Church Work
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	$ 23.78	$	$	$	$ 4.20	$	$ 2.00	$ 27.50	$ 57.48
Chestnut Grove—Lena Edwards, Sparta									
Laurel Springs—Van Miller, Laurel Springs	444.00	40.00	10.00		17.39	25.00	29.00	5.00	570.39
Liberty—J. T. Fender, Whitehead	60.00	10.00	18.00		15.00	7.00			103.00
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Devotion	131.11	1.00		51.50			4.00	32.50	220.11
New Hope—	250.00	60.85		33.00	38.24	4 50	3.00		385.59
New River—C. G. Pollard, Sparta	25.00					50.00			120.00
Osborne Memorial—Mrs. Harry Young, Stratford				100.00				300.00	288.59
Pine Fork—Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs	75.50	10.00		36.50	2.50		3.00		124.50
Scottville—George Perry, Peden									
Sparta—Mrs. Amos Wagoner, Sparta	2,225.00	341.75		185.00	125.47	9.80	5.00		7,565.91
TOTAL	$3,231.39	$ 463.60	$ 28.00	$ 406.00	$ 202.80	$ 96.30	$ 46.00	$ 365.00	$9,435.57

Paid on Church Debt: Sparta, $756.00. Building Fund: New River, $45.00; Sparta $3,917.89.

Table VII: Gifts For All Missions, Education, Orphanages, Etc.

CHURCHES—CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Gifts to Co-operative	Designated to Asso. Missions	Designated to State Missions	Designated to Home Missions	Orphanages (Cash, Etc.)	Designated to Hospitals	Designated to Red Cross	Total for all Missions	Grand Total of All Con.
Bellview—C. E. Jones, Furches	$	$	$	$	$	$ 4.79	$	$ 4.79	62.27
Chestnut Grove—Willard Edwards, Sparta	2.00							2.00	2.00
Laurel Springs—W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	76.04		5.46	35.00	58.33	19.45	22.60	216.88	783.27
Liberty—Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead				4.00		8.00		12.00	115.00
Mt. Carmel—F. W. Royal, Devotion						39.10		39.10	259.21
New Hope—		3.00			5.00	8.00		16.00	401.59
New River—Robert Andrews					5.00	13.16		18.16	290.00
Osborne Memorial—Mrs. Carrie Phipps						16.00			304.59
Pine Fork—						4.00			
Scottville—	3.00						5.00		
Sparta							9.49		
TOTAL	$ 31.53	14.95	$ 4.22	$ 12.30	$ 53.66	164.13	$ 42.85	$ 262.05	$7,827.98

Relief and Annuity, Other Objects: New Hope—$8.00.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County at Ashe and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1886, Sept. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sept. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collis	James Eller
3. 1888, Sept. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sept. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sept. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sept. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sept. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sept. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sept. 13-15	Healing Spr'gs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sept, 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sept. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sept. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sept. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sept. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sept. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sept.10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sept.9-11	Laurel Spr'gs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sept. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912. Sept. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sept. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sept. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sept. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21. 1917, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Spr'gs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22. 1918, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23. 1919, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves.	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sept. 10-12	Chestnut Grove	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sept. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek

26. 1922, Sept. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27. 1923, Sept. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28. 1924, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
29. 1925. Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
30. 1926. Sept. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31. 1927, Sept. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32. 1928, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33. 1929, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34. 1930, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35. 1931, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Spr'gs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36. 1932, Sept. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37. 1933, Sept. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38. 1934, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39. 1935, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40. 1936, Sept. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41. 1937, Sept. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royal	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42. 1938, Sept. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43. 1939, Sept. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44. 1940, Sept. 6-8	Laurel Spr'gs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45. 1941, Sept. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46. 1942, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royal	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47. 1943, Sept. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48. 1944, Sept. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49. 1945, Sept. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50. 1946, Sept. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Alleghany Baptist Association

51ST ANNUAL SESSION

— Held With —

SCOTTVILLE BPTIST CHURCH

SCOTTVILLE, N. C.

September 13, 14, 1947

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September 11-12, 1948

Introductory Sermon By:

Rev. S. L. Blevins,
Mt. View, North Carolina

Alternate: Rev. E. B. Barton
Piney Creek, North Carolina

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A. O. Joines, Vice-Moderator ..... Sparta, N. C.
Walter P. Johnson, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Sparta, N. C.

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J. F. Fender ..... Whitehead, N. C.
W. F. Royal ..... Devotion, N. C.

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5. **Missions**—Mrs. Van Miller
6. **Education**—Mr. W. F. Royal
7. **Evangelism**—Rev. F. G. Walker, Rev. Fred Blevins
8. **Woman's Missionary Union**—Mrs. Joe Bill Reed
9. **Training Union**—Mr. H. E. Singletary
10. **Sunday School**—Mr. Van Miller
11. **Committee on Whitehead Parsonage**—Ben Reeves, J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek
12. **Committee on History of Alleghany Association**—John M. Cheek, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton, Hon. R. L. Doughton
13. **Daily Vacation Bible School**—Miss Pauline Osborne

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Rev. E. B. Barton ..... Sparta, N. C.
Rev. William Hamm ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.
Rev. Lee Woodruff ..... Sparta, N. C.

CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution to churches, the body of these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitute in the bounds and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.

5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886)."

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan
I. W. Thomas
C. J. Woodson
J. F. Fletcher
E. L. Tucker
Committee.

PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION—10 O'CLOCK

The fifty-first annual session of the Alleghany Baptist Association assembled with the Scottville Baptist Church at Scottville, N. C.

The Moderator, Dr. N. D. Fox presided along with the Clerk, Walter P. Johnson. The pianist was Mrs. Walter P. Johnson of Sparta, N. C.

The Annual Session was opened with congregational singing. Rev. Kenneth Snyder conducted the devotional.

Visitors from other associations were recognized along with the associational speakers of the day: Rev. G. W. Bullard of the Baptist State Board and Dr. W. K. McGee of the Baptist Hospital.

A roll call of the churches and their messengers was conducted and the meeting proceeded with the reading of the following reports:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Report of Executive Committee by W. F. Doughton, Chairman.

The Executive Committee has tried to look after the church interests and to see that all the churches were supplied with a pastor.

With the help of our Moderator we secured Miss Dorothy Evans as a worker in the Alleghany Baptist Association. She began her work early in June and has performed her duties in a very satisfactory manner.

We recommend that our churches cooperate more and that a greater brotherly love be shown. We see the need of a great revival in all the churches.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Doughton, Chm.
D. J. Jones
J. T. Fender

RECEIVED FOR RENTS ON WHITEHEAD PARSONAGE

From Roy Hauser		$100.00
Spent for Paint	$ 15.00	
On Time Deposit in Sparta Bank	85.00	
	$100.00	
Received Rents from Junior Miles		$ 27.00
Spent for Carpenter Work and Lumber	$ 10.32	
Cash on Hand	16.68	
	$ 27.00	

J. T. Fender, Chm.
Parsonage Committee

RECEIVED FOR SALE OF PARSONAGE LAND

Received for sale	$5,430.00
Expenses of sale	44.45
Balance	5,385.55
Interest Accumulated	5.28
TOTAL AVAILABLE	$5,390.83

Report discussed and adopted.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Report of Religious Literature by Mrs. Van Miller.

To be able to serve intelligently in any field of work we must read and study. The foundation of knowledge is to read, therefore, may we always strive to provide the best in literature for our homes and churches.

The best force in our hands for arousing our people to the urgency of our Lord's Great Commission is our denominational press. We should take advantage of this opportunity and let this literature be read by our people. At the top of the list is our Bible, then the Biblical Recorder, our own State Journal; Charity and Children, a publication from our orphanage.

The Commission, which tells of our Foreign Mission work; our Woman's Missionary Union literature which is so educational for young and old, our Home Mission publications and our Sunday school literature published by our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee.

May we as churches of the association do our part toward making this worthwhile literature available to our people.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Van Miller.

Report discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Report on Evangelism by Rev. F. G. Walker.

According to the best information available all the churches except one in the Association held their annual revival meeting the past year with good results. But an annual revival meeting in our day is an inadequate effort to successful evangelism. The New Testament teaching in regard to evangelism is perennial evangelism. Perennial evangelism wins souls all through the year. This is the type of evangelism needed in our churches in the Alleghany Association. Jesus commands his servants to "go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in" that his table might be

filled. If Alleghany Baptists will obey this command, they will find themselves among a large host of Southern Baptists who make regular, individual, and personal visits to the doors of their neighbors and friends with no other purpose than to win them to their one and only Saviour, the meek and lowly Nazarene.

These lost people need Christ. They need the church. The church needs them. If all of God's children would keep Christ's commands our church houses would be filled with worshipers and Alleghany Baptists would increase their membership to one thousand or more in the next Associational year. Christ challenges us to yield ourselves to His teachings and the leadership of the Holy Spirit in the world of evangelism and rejoice in the fruits of our labor.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. Walker.

Report discussed and adopted.

The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Committee on Order of Business: Charlie Pollard, Paul Swanson, Oscar Joines.

Committee on Time, Place, Preacher: H. E. Singletary, Van Miller, Dorothy Evans, W. A. Pruitt.

Committee on Resolutions: Rev. Willie Hamm, Rev. Lee Woodruff, Edgar Brown, Mrs. J. T .Fender, Pauline Osborne.

Committee on Associational Missions: W. F. Doughton, Rev. F. G. Walker.

Nominating Committee: Rev. F. G. Walker, Richard Shepherd, Paul Woodruff, Oscar Shumate, Dale Atwood.

THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Report on Associational Bible Schools and Associational Missions by Miss Dorothy Evans, Mission Worker.

One major part of the work of Associational Missions is the Vacation Bible School. The Vacation Bible School cannot be carried on effectively and successively unless the church and the individual church members endorse it. The worker or workers, as the case may be, cannot do as good work if they do not have the full support and cooperation of the entire church membership.

This past year much progress was made, but the results are yet far below the goal and possibilities. A total of 347 boys and girls were enrolled in the Vacation Bible Schools of the Alleghany Association, with an average of 71% attendance.

I want to make special recognition of the Laurel Springs Church, and the pastor, Rev. Kenneth Synder, and the Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Van Miller. Laurel Springs rates first in the Association in enrollment and in average attendance.

This church should be set as an example for the other churches to follow. A revival was held at the same time of the Bible School. The Sparta Church ranked second to Laurel Springs in enrollment and average attendance. In percentage of attendance in accordance with the enrollment, Laurel Springs rated first, Pine Fork, second, and New Hope, third. My suggestion would be, to start planning now for your next year's Vacation Bible School, and for each member to take his responsibility in seeing that it is successful.

It is my desire to see a Vacation Bible School two-weeks in every church in 1948, and you can help to that end. I would suggest also, that each church, when the budget for the year is being made up, that at least te ndollars, in accordance to the size of the church and the community be set aside for the expense of the Vacation Bible School. Start now in training your teachers, also, for this work.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Evans.

Report was approved and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Report on Temperance by Rev. E. B. Barton.

"And I have given you want of bread in all your places." Yet the best we can do in recalling the Grain Allocation from the liquor channels for feeding the hungry children and homeless families, is to recall forty per cent of grain for a limited number of days.

Possibly the accusation of the prophet Amos, "And yet, have ye not returned unto me," was never sounded so clearly in the ears of our nation as now.

While eight hundred million of people face starvation, America spends nearly eight million dollars annually for Alcoholic beverages. This is an average of $55.79 for every man, woman, and child in the United States.

Liquor is America's worst enemy. It must not destroy our country and we as Christians must not allow it to destroy the lives of our young people for they are the leaders of tomorrow. No one can escape the responsibility of helping to destroy the liquor traffic which is transforming millions of boys and girls into sordid drunkards. It is estimated that eight million boys and girls of our present generation will be transformed into drunkards.

There are enough Christians to close every liquor outlet in America as the people of our county did.

We are Christians have won a great victory in Alleghany County. With the church fighting against it there has never been an ABC store, or wine or beer saloon open. It is open only because the church people consented to it without fighting against it.

There are church members who drink beer and cocktails.

Can the church of today stand aloof from the temperance movement and be true to its young people?

We as Christian people must teach our children and our youth of today against the use and evil of drink. If we fail the liquor people will teach them to be drunkards. They advertise through the newspapers, magazines, over the radio and through motion pictures.

There are forty-six million moderate drinkers in the U. S. A.

I challenge you as Christians and citizens of Alleghany County to continue to fight, work and pray against it until not only liquor but beer and wine is banished from our county.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Barton.

Report was adopted.

Address by Rev. R. M. Hauss of Shelby, N. C., who represented The Allied Church League.

W. M. U. REPORT

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

As your Associational W. M. C. Superintendent, I come to you today with more of a challenge than a report, considering the fact that there is such a great opportunity all around us and we have done so little.

Although we have met our goal financially with gifts to the Co-operative Program and special offerings totalling $184.00 for the year just ending, we now have active organizations in only three of the eleven churches of the association. I regret to report that we have one less than we had last year, and only one church has its young people organized. It is time we became alarmed about our neglect in training and teaching our youth.

There was a growing concern expressed for sending our girls and boys to G. A. and R. A. Camps during their summer vacation, at the annual meeting which was held at Liberty Church last June. The meeting was surely a blessing and inspiration to all who attended. Plans were made to fill the one hundred dozen jars for our orphanage at Thomasville this summer.

Let me now implore you, women and young people of this association, to arise to our hour of opportunity and look upon the multitudes about us with the same love and concern which caused Jesus to have compassion on the multitudes when he walked among them.

In America, and even in Alleghany County, as in Asia and Africa, the multitudes are on the march. More than ever we are to think of our task as world missions and not as detached isolated areas of interest designated as home missions and foreign missions.

The editor of "The Commission" tells us that whether we like it or not the races of the world are at our doors. As we see them and hear them, we are not to forget that our Saviour had to press his way through the crowds, sometimes hostile crowds, and he had compassion on them. He saw them as individuals not as impersonal masses, and through all the days of his earthly ministry the lame, the blind, the sinning, the sorrowing, the hungry human beings were making their appeal to him. He heard their cries, he fed, he liberated, he loved, he saved.

He has committed to us that unfinished task of ministering to the multitudes. Here they are all about us. What are we going to do about the people around us? What we do about them and about ourselves will determine what will become of the multitudes just down the road in Latin America, or across the river in Asia, in Africa, in Europe—everywhere. What are we going to do with the Commission of Jesus to live and love and witness and serve?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

This report was adopted.

The congregation joined in singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Rev. G. W. Bullard of Raleigh delivered a message on "Associational Missions." He represented Rev. M. A. Huggins of the State Board.

Dr. N. D. Fox, Moderator, appointed a special committee of nine to discuss the plans of securing an associational missionary.

The morning session closed with the introductory sermon by Rev. Clarence Gwaltney of Elkin, N. C.

Benediction by Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta, N. C.

AFTERNOON SERVICE — 1:30 O'CLOCK

Following a delicious dinner that was served by the ladies of local Scottville Baptist Church the afternoon service was called into session.

The afternoon assembly was opened by congregational singing and a devotional. Rev. O. B. Hart of the Ashe Association led the service in prayer.

REPORT ON THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Report on Hospital by Mr. E. C. Minriel

Having failed to get any definite figures and statistics for this report, I am going to give a little information from personal contact with the hospital this past summer.

My wife was in the hospital for about ten days during the month of June, and I spent a few days in Winston-Salem during the critical part of this time.

The hospital was very much pushed for accommodations during this time, having only a few beds to spare each day, for those who needed hospitalization care. There were many patients who had to be put off for this kind of attention due to lack of beds.

However, in spite of all this, the nurses and doctors all were pitching in and doing their work with a cheerfulness that gave comfort and hope to hundreds of people.

To pardon another personal reference, the desk clerk was kind enough to phone for room accommodations for me for the few nights I spent in Winston-Salem. I mention this because it illustrates only one of the many things the folks down there are doing to serve hundreds of people throughout the State of North Carolina each day.

The Out-patient clinic is jammed to capacity each day, giving physical examinations, and treating people outside of the hospital. This department has been expanded into a new building within the past year, and is doing a wonderful service for thousands of patients.

As for Alleghany County, I would say that there are very few days out of the year in which you do not find some one from our county in the hospital for treatment.

To sum up this report I would say that here is much evidence to show that the Great Physician is on the job each day, working through the lives of the doctors and nurses and other hospital personnel, who have chosen these professions to serve those who need medical attention and hospital care.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest C. Minnich.

Report was adopted.

Dr. W. K. McGee of Baptist Hospital addressed the afternoon assembly on the value of the hospital to Alleghany County people regardless of their religious beliefs.

MISSIONS

Report on Missions by Mrs. Ruth Choate.

State Missions:

The State Mission program is all inclusive in its activities for the development of a Christian state, the growth of the denomination and the expansion of all mission work of the State. Its work in establishing churches, maintenance of schools and colleges, visual educational programs in churches, summer assemblies and retreats, training of church members, associational missionary and field workers make heavy demands upon the State Treasury. The call, therefore, for more funds for State Mission work is increasingly great and N. C. Baptist should accept, as far as possible, the unparalleled challenge.

Through state mission activities much has been undertaken, much has been accomplished, but far more remains to be done. There is no state in the South which can, with truth, be called, as yet, a Christian State. While Southern Baptists now number approximately six million, there are in these Southern States perhaps ten million people who are possibilities for our present churches and for churches which should be established. And within the churches there are multiplied tens of thousands who need to be taught and trained for higher living and generous giving. Foreign Missions has a stimulating effect upon all Christian work; the educational institutions can, and do, furnish the leadership for this work. But no Christian State, and no powerful denomination can be built apart from an aggressive State Mission program which actually gets the work done.

Home Missions:

Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Secretary of the Home Mission Board, says: "The strategic point of approach to this world task is the Homeland. Keep the homeland evangelized and mobilized for service and we have the hope and the assurance of a world evangelization."

The Home Mission program undertakes to "help where help is needed." It now has work among Spanish speaking Americans (Mexicans), Indians, French, Italians, Chinese and other language groups. There are mission centers, city and rural missions, work among the deaf and among Negroes, Cuban missions and work in Panama, Costa Rica and the Canal Zone, in addition to miscellaneous special mission enterprises. The Home Mission Board sponsors work in 587 churches and missions and needs 327 more. It has 700 missionaries and workers and needs 389 more. It needs more than two million dollars for mission properties and over a million dollars a year for operation. Let's keep Home Missions vigorous as a good spring-board for world evangelization.

Foreign Missions:

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, in its one-hundred-and-second year, faces the most significant opportunities of its history. Appalling world needs, material and spiritual, constitute a tremendous challenge to Southern Baptist.

In the order of occupation, Southern Baptist have entered China, Nigeria, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Japan, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Palestine-Syria, Spain, Romania, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Manchuria, Hawaii, Columbia, Paraguay, and early this year, the Gold Coast, West Africa. They have also arranged to enter Guatemala and Honduras, which for the time will be regarded as part of our Mexico work directed by National Baptist leaders.

We have 624 missionaries in active service. Of this number 56 were appointed at the April semi-annual meeting of the Board and two more in May. Sixty Missionaries were appointed last year. Even with these additional recruits, we have only one foreign missionary to approximately 10,000 Southern Baptist.

The appropriations of the foreign board for current missionary work this year total $2,275,000. An increase of approximately $600,000 over last year. This increase was due largely to inflation in most areas of the Board's work. We must not overlook the fact, too, that with a net increase of approximately 62 missionaries, long-range provision must be made, not only for their salaries year by year, but for hospitals and equipment, training school, and missionary residences.

What are we doing for missions? Here are some startling figures. Last year Southern Baptist gave for all purposes $115,226,949, both state and southland. Of this amount less than one-fourth, $27,240,704 was given for missions and benevolence. For foreign missions the board received last year, not counting relief and rehabilitation funds, $3,884,991.31, an average of 64 cents per capita.

We gave $14.47 for local purposes and 64 cents for foreign missions! For every 22½ cents spent on ourselves, we gave only one cent to world missions outside of our own country. In 1945, (of twenty evangelical denominations) Southern Baptist ranked eighteenth, toward the bottom of the list, in gifts to foreign missions. For example, the per capita gift for foreign missions that year for Southern Baptist was 60 cents; for the Reformed Church in America $2.50; Nazarenes $4.50; Presbyterian U. S. A. $1.38; Presbyterian U. S., (Southern) $2.19; Methodist $1.72.

Here are the other startling facts. It is estimated that last year the American people spent $8,000,000,000 for alcoholic drinks, $3,500,000,000 for tobacco, $3,000,000,000 in gambling, $2,500,000,000 for schools, $1,000,000,000 for churches. It has been estimated that the annual overall cost of crime is $18,000,000,000.

Isn't it time that we were getting a conscience on Scriptural Stewardship and measure our giving in terms of God's purposes and program and not in terms of selfish desires and personal comfort?

Respectfully,

Mrs. Ruth Choate.

Report was adopted.

Dr. Hoyt Blackwell of Mars Hill College brought a most interesting message on Missions and Education.

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS

Report by Mr. A. O. Joines on the Order of Business.

We, The Committee on Order of Business, wish to make the following report. We wish to commend the Moderator on the

program for this session of the association, especially do we appreciate the very able speakers secured for each discussion. We recommend that the program be made out in ample time before the date of the association and due publicity be made.

Some delegates or representatives from each church should make a report to the Association of the work and the accomplishments of the church for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. Joines
Charlie Pollard
Paul Swanson

Report discussed and adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Report on Time, Place and Preacher.

TIME—Saturday before 2nd Sunday, September 11-12, 1948
PLACE—Pine Fork, on their 50th Anniversary
PREACHER—Rev. S. L. Blevin, Mt. View, North Carolina
Alternate, Rev. E. B. Barton, Piney Creek, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. Singletary, Chairman
Van Mills
Dorothy Evans
W. H. Pruitt

Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Report on Resolutions by Rev. Willie Hamm.

We, the Committee on resolutions make the following report: We as a committee thank the Lord for the blessings during the last year and pray for Continuation of the same.

We wish to extend thanks to Scottville Baptist Church for their hospitality and delicious and abundant refreshments.

We as a committee recommend to the Association that they appoint two ministers, two ladies with an executive committee to contact the eleven churches in regard to the missionary work in this association.

Respectfully submitted,

Elder Willie Hamm, Chairman
Rev. Lee Woodruff
Edgar Brown
Mrs. J. T. Fender
Pauline Osborne

Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Special report on Associational Missionary by Rev. F. G. Walker.

We recommend that a committee of seven be appointed who will contact the churches to find out what each church will contribute annually for the support of Associational Missions. With the understanding that there is a possibility of employing a worker jointly with Elkin.

The committee should consist of the Executive Committee, 2 Pastors and 2 Women.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. Doughton, Chairman
F. G. Walker, Reporter

RESOLUTION

Resolved that a committee of three brethren be appointed who will study the Constitution and Rules of a Decorum with a view of making recommendations at our next session, any needed changes to bring it up to date.

Rev. F. G. Walker.

Adopted by Convention.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We, the Parsonage Committee of Laurel Springs Church, having decided to build a parsonage, ask the Association for any funds that may be available to the Laurel Springs Church from the sale of other parsonage property.

Respectfully submitted,
Van Miller.

Resolutions were presented and approved by the association.

REPORT ON NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee suggests the following persons to serve the association in the coming year:

Moderator ..... Dr. N. D. Fox
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Walter P. Johnson
Vice-Moderator ..... A. O. Joines
Executive Committee ..... W. F. Doughton
J. T. Fender
W. F. Royal

Respectfully yours,
F. G. Walker
Richard Shepherd
Paul Woodruff
Oscar Shumate
Dale Atwood

Report of Nominations Committee by Rev. F. G. Walker. Adopted as presented with the exception that W. F. Royal's name was nominated and elected from floor as a Member of Executive Committee.

Adjournment.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

The night session was held at Sparta Baptist Church as it was more centrally located for the convenience of all churches in the County.

Devotion was conducted by Dorothy Evans.

The Baptist Training Union report by Swanson Edwards, Director.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The annual Associational Sunday School meeting was held with the New Hope Church in the early spring. There was a very good attendance, although some of the churches were not represented.

All churches in the Association, with the exception of one, reported Sunday School enrollment larger than in previous years, however, the average attendance was not what it should have been.

The Association is in need of an officer and teachers' training school or study course.

The Sunday School is the right arm of the Church, which furnishes the opportunity to train the youth and greater effort should be made.

Respectfully submitted,
Van F. Miller.

Report was approved and adopted.

A message was delivered by Rev. Ernest Powers of West Jefferson, N. C.

The evening services were concluded with the highly entertaining Folk Lore Music and singing by Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

Report on Sunday School Work by Van Miller, Assoc. Superintendent.

Sermon by Rev. F. G. Walker.

Special Music by Walter P. Johnson.

Report on Orphanage omitted to allow more time for Dr. I. G. Greer of Mills Home Orphanage. Dr. Greer's message was "Key To The Abundant Life." It was a most inspiring message.

Special Music by Sparta Baptist Choir.

The Concluding Message of the Annual Meeting was brought by Rev. Kenneth Snyder of Laurel Springs Church. His title "The Unwanted Saviour."

Benediction.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT—ALLEGHANY ASSOCIATION

As no one has been enjoined with nor has assumed the responsibility of Associational Training Union Director during the past year, there is little to report in the way of progress and advancement in our associational Training Union work. We as an associational body should be ashamed that we have been so negligent in the promotion of our Training Union work, should seek the forgiveness of our Heavenly Father and of our youth for our slothfulness in the training of members for leadership in our churches, and we should, with renewed determination, set our wholehearted efforts to the high privilege of promoting this essential phase of the work in our churches. The clarion call for trained leadership is ringing from every profession in life. If trained leadership is so vital in the social and business world today, how much more important it is in the area of religious activities.

In so far as I know, there is only one church in this association that has a Training Union. We, in the capacity of Director of the Training Union in the Sparta Church, make this statement with modesty, recognizing that we have failed to nearly achieve our possibilities and that we have not made use of the opportunities of helping promote this work in other churches. In our opinion a Training Union program in a church has equal importance with the Sunday School, and the one strengthens the other.

It is our conviction that a new day in Training Union work in this association will not come until we have an associational missionary to lead us out in this undertaking, as well as in other phases of church activities. However, we should not use the non-availability of such a worker as an alibi, but each of us should realize his individual responsibility, accept the challenge, and move forward into fields of more consecrated and sacrificial service in the work of the Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Swanson Edwards.

IN MEMORIAM

Our beloved members who have passed away from us during the past year:

Miss Matiel Rose	Bellview Church
Miss Adelle Blum	Liberty Church
Mrs. Nora Wagoner	New Hope Church
Miss Jennie Hudson	Sparta Church

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Gray Son Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1886, Sept. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sept. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collis	James Eller
3. 1888, Sept. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sept. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sept 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sept. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sept. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sept. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sept. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1, 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sept. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sept. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sept. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M .Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sept. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sept. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sept. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sept. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sept. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sept. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sept. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sept. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sept. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sept. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21. 1917, Sept. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22. 1918, Sept. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23. 1919, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sept. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sept. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek

26.	1922, Sept. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sept. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28.	1924, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffeey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffeey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sept. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sept. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sept. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sept. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sept. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sept. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sept. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sept. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sept. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sept. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sept. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sept. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sept. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sept. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sept. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sept. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sept. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Saterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945, Sept. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946, Sept. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947, Sept. 13-14	Scottsville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnson	Clarence Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton

TABLE 1.—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Association—Alleghank Baptist, State of North Carolina

For Year Ending (Month) September, 1947

Clerk—Walter P. Johnson, Address—Sparta, N. C.

Moderator—Dr. N. D. Cox, Address—Sparta, N. C.

CHURCHES	Location OC-V T-C	Year Organized	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Dates of Meeting	GAINS: Baptisms	GAINS: By Letter	GAINS: Other Additions	LOSSES: By Letter	LOSSES: By Death	LOSSES: Other Losses	TOTAL: Present Resident Membership	TOTAL: Non-Resident Membership	TOTAL: Grand Total Present Membership	SPECIAL INFORMATION: Are Weekly Prayer Meetings Held?	SPECIAL INFORMATION: Number of Revival Meetings Held	SPECIAL INFORMATION: Spent on Building or Remodeling Last Year	SPECIAL INFORMATION: Value of Pastor's Home	SPECIAL INFORMATION: Total Value of All Church Property	SPECIAL INFORMATION: Total Debt on Church Property
1 Bellview	OC	1909	Rev. Lee Woodruff, Sparta	2nd	—	—	—	—	1	—	14	18	32	No	None	—	—	$1,000	—
3 Laurel Springs..	OC	1891	Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	4th	—	1	—	—	—	—	26	12	38	No	1	$70	—	1,500	—
2Chestnut Grove..	OC	1897	Rev. Kenneth Snyder, Boiling Springs	1-3	4	5	—	—	—	—	50	29	79	No	1	—	—	3,000	—
4 Liberty	OC	1881	Rev. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro	3	2	6	—	—	1	—	22	32	54	No	1	145	—	4,000	—
5 Mt. Carmel	OC	1884	Rev. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro	1	8	—	3	—	1	—	44	25	69	No	2	72	—	2,000	—
6 New Hope	OC	1881	Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta	1-3	5	—	—	—	1	—	34	10	44	No	1	75	—	1,600	—
7 Osborne Mem. .	OC	1943	Rev. E. B. Barton, Piney Creek	1-3	—	—	—	—	—	—	80	10	90	No	2	170	—	7,000	—
8 Pine Fork	OC	1898	Rev. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro	4	6	5	1	2	—	—	43	—	43	No	1	300	—	1,500	—
9 Scottsville	OC	1925	Rev. Paul Phillips, Crumpler	1	—	—	—	3	—	—	48	25	73	No	1	330	—	1,800	—
10 New River	OC	1939	Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	1-2	2	—	—	—	—	—	40	—	40	Yes	1	—	—	2,500	—
11 Sparta	T	1886	Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta	3-4-5	5	8	—	3	1	—	—	—	159	Yes	1	745	—	40,000	—

TABLE 2.—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

North Carolina

Associational Superintendent—Mr. Van Miller, Address—Laurel Springs,

For Year Ending (Month) September, 1947

Association—Alleghank Baptist, State of North Carolina

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT													V. B. S.	
		Cradle Roll—Home Ministry (3 Years and under)	Nursery—Attending Sunday (3 Years and Under)	Beginners 4-5	Primaries 6-8	Juniors 9-12	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 Yrs. and Up	Extension Department	Gen. and Dept'mtl. Officers not Enrolled in Sunday School Classes	Number of Mission Sunday Schools	Enrolment of Mission Sunday Schools	Tot. Enrolment—Main School & Mission Including all Officers, Teachers and Pupils	Average Attendance	Enrolment Vacation Bible School	What was the Average Attendance?
1 Bellview	Mrs. Talmadge Reeves, Furches	—	—	6	7	—	—	24	—	—	1	—	—	38	15	?	
2 Chestnut Grove	Mr. Homer Edwards, Sparta	—	—	11	—	—	—	10	11	—	3	—	—	35	25	12	9
3 Laurel Springs	Mr. Van Miller, Laurel Springs	7	—	12	8	8	7	11	14	3	5	—	—	59	28	80	68
4 Liberty	Mr. J. T. Fender, Whitehead	—	—	4	9	6	10	—	12	—	—	—	—	41	20	15	8
5 Mt. Carmel																	
6 New Hope	Hrs. Paul Swanson, Scottsville	15	—	7	—	15	13	—	25	—	—	—	—	75	17	30	15
7 New River	Oscar Shumate, Sparta													30	18	21	15
8 Osborne Memorial	Mr. E. C. Minnick, Piney Creek	—	—	—	14	7	—	25	33	—	—	—	—	80	50	33	25
9 Pine Fork	Mr. W. F. Shepherd, Scottsville	—	—	18	—	5	—	—	33	—	—	—	—	56	40	36	25
10 Scottsville	Mr. Posey Pruitt, Laurel Springs	3	3	2	1	5	3	6	8	—	4	—	—	35	12	10	7
11 Sparta	Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta	13	—	14	15	16	14	16	40	—	2	—	—	130	65	79	49

TABLE 3.—TRAINING UNION

Associational Director—Mr. Swanson Edwards, Address—Sparta, N. C.

For Year Ending (Month) September, 1947

Association—Alleghank Baptist, State of North Carolina

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Union and Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Tot. Number Gen. and Departmental Officers not Enrolled in Union & Story Hrs.	TOTAL ENROLMENT	Average Attendance Per Sunday	Was Youth Week Observed?	Was Christian Home Week Observed?
1 Bellview	Mrs. Talmadge Reeves, Furches		1			1	2		32					32	20	No	No
2 Chestnut Groce	No Union																
3 Laurel Springs	No Union																
4 Liberty	No Union																
5 Mt. Carmel	No Union																
6 New Hope	No Union																
7 New River	No Union																
8 Osborne Memorial	No Union																
9 Pine Fork	No Union																
10 Scottville	No Union																
11 Sparta, N. C.	Swanson Edwards, Sparta	1	1		1	1	4	20	6		5	12	4	47	25	No	No

TABLE 4.—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Association—Alleghany Baptist, State of North Carolina

For Year Ending (Month) September, 1947

Associational President—Mrs. Ross Richardson, Address—Sparta, N. C.

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.
1 Bellview																
2 Chestnut Grove																
3 Laurel Springs	Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs	1					1	6					6			$92.00
4 Liberty		1					1	8					8			$31.75
5 Mt. Carmel																
6 New Hope																
7 New River																
8 Osborne Memorial																
9 Pine Fork																
10 Scottville																
11 Sparta	Mrs. F. G. Walker, Sparta	1	1	1	1		4	21		5	4	8	38	20	$54.00	$86.25

TABLE 5.—GIFTS FOR LOCAL WORK OF CHURCH

Association—Alleghany Baptist,
State of North Carolina

For Year Ending (Month) September, 1947

Associational Treasurer—Walter Johnson,
Address—Sparta, N. C.

TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary Paid for Year	Incidentals—Janitor, Fuel, Water, Repairs, Inst., etc.	Asst. Pastor, Educational Director, Choir Leader, etc.	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Paid on Church Debt Out of Current Funds	Literature—Quarterlies, Ch. Paper, Song Books, etc.	Help for Local Poor	Minutes and Clerk of Assoc.	Bldg. Fund (Amt. given Associational year)	Local Missions	OTHE OBJECTS	Total Given For Local Church Work
C. E. Jones, Furches	1 Bellview	22.55	9.00				8.56		2.00				42.11
Mrs. Lena Edwards, Sparta, R1..	2 Chestnut Grove	100.00	70.00		90.50		2.80		2.00				42.11
Van Miller, Laurel Springs.....	3 Laurel Springs.	640.00	37.00		70.00		33.15		15.00				265.75
J. T. Fender, Whitehead	4 Liberty	270.40	145.50		45.00		22.74	8.00	8.00		15.00		500.94
F. W. Royal, Devotion	5 Mt. Carmel ...	198.33	.80		80.82		.80		5.59	71.80			358.14
Mrs. D. J. Jones, Stratford	6 New Hope....	225.00	65.00				31.00	10.00	3.00			61.00	395.00
C. G. Pollard, Sparta	7 New River	50.00			10.00	50.00		20.00					130.00
Mrs. Harry Young, Sparta	8 Osborne Mem..	350.00	30.00				24.00		5.00			10.00	419.00
Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs..	9 Pine Fork	175.00	3.00		50.00		7.25	60.00	4.00	10.00		9.00	318.75
George Perry, Peden	10 Scottsville	72.19	8.00		29.62		12.00		3.00			9.00	318.75
A. H. Edwards, Sparta	11 Sparta	2,541.36	677.33	23.65	115.80	996.38	166.98		5.00	745.05		54.00	5,325.45

TABLE 6.—GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ECT.

Association—Allegheny Baptist State of North Carolina

For Year Ending (Month) September, 1947

Associational Missionary _____ Address _____

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Gifts to Co-operative Program or United Budget	Designated to Associational Missions	Designated to Home Missions	Designated to Foreign Missions	Designated to Schools, Colleges and Seminaries	Designated to Hospitals	Designated to Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Relief and Annuity, Other Objects	Total for all Missions Grand Total of all Church Dollars for All Purposes
1 Bethel	C. E. Jones, Furches						1.67			$ 1.67
2 Chestnut Grove	Willard Edwards, Sparta	$ 4.35				[illegible]				[illegible]
3 Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton, Laurel Springs	180.[illegible]8		$42.00	$92.00	[illegible]02	37.00			429.00
4 Liberty	Mrs. E. E. Edwards, Whitehead	8.50		6.00	2.00	45.[illegible]	7.00	6.25	31.75	106.50
5 Mt. Carmel	F. F. Royal, Devotion					7.40				37.40
6 New Hope	D. J. Jones, Stratford									25.00
7 New River	Robert Anders, Sparta					5.00	7.00			12.00
8 Osborne Memorial	Ray Paller, Piney Creek					25.00	15.00			40.00
9 Pine Fork	Mrs. Effie Pruitt, Laurel Springs					36.00				36.00
10 Scottville	Mrs. Emma Roupe, Scottville					8.00	8.50			16.50
11 Sparta	Mrs. Ben G. Reeves, Sparta	120.00	36.25	25.00	25.00	53.25	50.04	17.00		327.31

Mrs. Huggins

ANNUAL

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association

52ND ANNUAL SESSION

— Held With —

PINE FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

LAUREL SPRINGS, N. C.

September 11-12, 1948

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Next Session Will Be Held With

LAUREL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

September 10-11, 1949

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Introductory Sermon By:

Rev. Troy Blevins,

N. Wilkesboro, North Carolina

DIRECTORY OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Dr. N. D. Fox, Moderator ..... Sparta, N.C.

Walter P. Johnson, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Sparta, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. F. Doughton, Chairman ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.

J. F. Fender ..... Whitehead, N. C.

W. F. Royal ..... Devotion, N. C.

COMMITTEES ON REPORTS FOR 1949

1 **Representative of Baptist Publications** — Mrs. J. F. Fender.

2. **Hospital** — Mrs. Ben Reeves.

3. **Orphanage** — Mrs. Tommy Moxley.

4. **Temperance** — Mrs. A. O. Joines.

5. **Missions** — Mrs. E. E. Caudill.

6. **Education** — Miss Donna Jones.

7. **Evangelism** — Rev. F. G. Walker.

8. **Woman's Missionary Union** — Mrs. Ross Richardson.

9. **Training Union** — Mr. H. E. Singletary.

10. **Sunday School** — Herbert Osborne.

11. **Committee on Whitehead Parsonage** — Ben Reeves, J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek.

12. **Committee on History of Alleghany Association**—John M. Cheek, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton, Hon. R. L. Doughton.

13. **Daily Vacation Bible School** — Mrs. Carrie Jones.

RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. F. G. Walker ..... Sparta, N. C.

Rev. Fred Blevins ..... Wilkesboro, N. C.

Rev. E. B. Barton ..... Sparta, N. C.

Rev. William Hamm ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.

Rev. Lee Woodruff ..... Sparta, N. C.

CONSTITUTION

1. This body shall be called the Alleghany Baptist Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall all be ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by one member.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such duties as are usually required of presiding officers.
churches, the body of these proceedings.

6. The clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution to

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to our Association, pay them out as Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting, there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitute in the bounds and cooperate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any one who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who uses, makes, sells, or in any way deals in spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

14. It shall be the duty of this body to appoint a committee to confer with any sister church or churches which fail to represent for two successive years, and report to the Association at next regular session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject except by permission of the body and then not over fifteen minutes.
5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886.)"

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan.
I. W. Thomas
C. J. Woodson
J. F. Fletcher
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

Proceedings

Saturday Morning Session — 10:00 A. M.

The fifty-second annual meeting of the Alleghany Missionary Baptist Churches' Association assembled with the Pine Fork church at Laurel Springs, N. C. This Association joined with Pine Fork in observance of the fiftieth anniversary of Pine Fork Baptist church.

The Moderator, Dr. N. D. Fox, called the Association to order. Walter P. Johnson served as officiating clerk.

The first act of business was a call of churches and their messengers or alternates. Brother A. O. Joines, Liberty church messenger, moved that all present members of Alleghany Baptist Association church be seated together as voting delegates in the Association. This was ruled out of order by the presiding Moderator.

The devotional was conducted by Brother J. A. Gilliam, Moderator of Stone Mountain Association of Wilkes county. Congregational singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers," followed devotional prayer.

Visitors recognized were: Brother J. A. Gilliam, Stone Mt. Association; Rev. John F. Goodman, Ashe Association; Mrs. W. R. Fox, Alexander Association; Rev. S. L. Blevins, Stone Mt. Association; Rev. Fred Blevins, Brushy Mt. Association.

Reports were as follows:

Report of Executive Committee — Deferred by request until afternoon session.

Report of Religious Literature — Postponed until committee was present.

Report on Evaneglism presented by Rev. F. G. Walker. Adopted by Association.

Report of Religious Literature presented by Mrs. Ruth Choate — adopted.

The Moderator, Dr. N. D. Fox, appointed all committees of the Association.

Report on Associational Bible School and Missions was

Report on Temperance was adopted after presentation by given by Rev. Kenneth Snyder — adopted.
Mrs. J. T. Fender.

R. R. Jackson, Wake Forest College enlargement representative, gave an address on "State Missions." His text was, "Ye Are My Witness." The congregation sang, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

The annual Associational sermon was delivered by Rev. S. L. Blevins. His text was St. Luke 24:49.

Afternoon Session, 2:00 P. M.

The afternoon session opened with the Pine Fork choir, led by Rev. Willie Hamm, singing two special selections. Devotional was conducted by Rev. Kenneth Snyder.

Afternoon visitors recognized were Dr. and Mrs. W. K. McGee, of the Baptist hospital; Laurence Highfield, Mars Hill College.

The W. M. U. report was given by Mrs. Ross Richardson. It was adopted.

Hospital reports by Rev. Willie Hamm was adopted. Dr. W. K. McGee, of the Baptist hospital, delivered an address concerning the work of the hospital.

The report on "Christian Education" was delivered by Bro. W. F. Royal. He was followed by Lawrence Highfield, who spoke on the same subject.

Executive committeeman J. T. Fender presented the annual report of the Executive Committee. It was adopted by the assembly of delegates.

A report of a special committee pertaining to amending the constitution of the Association was defeated when presented to the Association.

Mrs. E. E. Caudill, of Liberty church, presented the report of Resolutions. It was adopted.

The Time, Place and Preacher committee reported and their report was approved.

The Nominations Committee presented a unanimous report which was approved by the Association.

Sunday Service

The service opened with the singing of "All Hail the Power." Devotional was conducted by Rev. Lee Woodruff.

Report on the Sunday school was adopted after Bro. Van Miller presented it.

In absence of the Orhpanage report, the Clerk read the contributions of each church in the Association.

Rev. Reed, of Kennedy Home, delivered an address on the work of the Eastern North Carolina orphanage.

The hymn, "I'll Live On," was sung, following Rev. Reed's message.

Rev. F. G. Walker, of Sparta, brought a sermon on evangelism. His sermon was followed by the congregation singing "The Ninety and Nine."

The Association was closed with a sermon by the president of Gardner-Webb Junior College, Rev. Phil. L. Elliott.

Benediction.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

In the churches of the Association the Evangelistic note has been this year well sounded. There has been more additions to the churches than usual, but in compliance with the example and teachings of Jesus we need to constantly seek to win all the unsaved in our separate communities. This is the task of the church. Christ commissioned the church when He said, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and Son and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo. I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Therefore, in view of man's need of Salvation and in obedience

to the command of Christ, it is the recommendation of the committee, that this Association join hands and hearts with Brother J. C. Canipe, Chairman of Evangelism for North Carolina Baptists, in a simultaneous evangelistic campaign to be held the first two weeks in October, 1949, in which campaign every church in the Association shall gloriously participate.

Respectfully submitted, F. G. Walker, Chairman of Evangelism for the Association and State Baptist Convention.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

That famous adage, "The one who reads is the one who leads," was never more true yesterday than it is today. Knowledge is power, and the main foundation of that power is the ability to read intelligently. No individual can think adequately or serve efficiently in any field of endeavor or activity without first acquiring the rudiments of an able reader. Indeed, reading formulates the basis of new ideas; it inculcates new perspectives on life; it stimulates thinking; it regulates conduct; it brings enlightenment and culture. Reading enables one to travel thousands of miles, cross oceans and mountains, while sitting in an armchair. Not only can reading be used as a method by which we may employ all our six senses, but it can be the guide to our ways of living.

A very significant, and by far the most important aspect of our public educational system has been to teach the great masses of our people how to read comprehendingly, because a democracy depends upon the ability of the common man. A survey of the history of Christian civilization shows that so-called democracies have declined when the average man had no leisure time for cultural and intellectual development, when the wealth of nations was usurped by the aristocracy.

A church likewise depends upon every link in its chain for development and growth. The average member must be an asset, not a liability. The denominational press is the best force and controlling factor which the church today possesses for stimulating an intellectual curiosity and a mental alertness among its people; for arousing its members to the urgency of the great commission of God. The Bible, the most remarkable book of all time; the Biblical Recorder, our own State journal; Charity and Childred, a publiciation from our orphanage; the Commission, which discusses our Foreign Mission work; our Woman's Missionary Union literature, which is educational for all groups; our Home Mission publications and our Sunday school literature published by our Sunday school board at Nashville, Tenn., all of these publications of worthwhile literature are available to our people and it is our duty as churches of the association, to extend our efforts toward making a well-read, well-informed membership.

What we need today is a "Great Awakening" of mind and spirit, an "age of enlightenment when the average individual hallows the printed page." We need to know more about the Bible, more about God's people throughout the world and more understanding of ourselves. Over four hundred years ago a great movement took place in Germany and throughout west-

ern Europe called the Protestant Reformation; that was the day when some of our enlightened forefathers severed themselves from the domination of the Roman Catholic church and paved the way for religious freedom; that was the real beginning of our Baptist denomination. And, today, one of the greatest world wide movements in Christian history, since that of the 16th century, is now taking place in Amsterdam, Holland. The World Council of Churches, representing 150 separate denominations and 140 million Christians, is the profound realization of the largest Protestant union in history. What the results for our denomination will be remains to be seen, but the decisions most likely will be momentous. Let us then accept the challenge of Christian brotherhood and the command of Jesus when he declared: "Study to show thyself approved unto God . . . "

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth J. Choate.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS AND V. B. S.

The work of Associational Missions and Vacation Bible schools was greatly hindered this year due to the polio epidemic in our State. We were, however, able to conduct four Bible schools in this Association. Sparta Baptist church conducted their Bible school, also the New Hope Baptist church without the assistance of an Associational worker. The schools this summer were Liberty and Laurel Springs. In the four schools the enrollment was 216 and average daily attendance was 160. In the maintenance of associational work during the summer, there were 23 personal contacts made, 28 cards written and 344 miles driven.

A Baptist Training Union was organized at New Hope Baptist church following a study course for juniors and intermediates.

All the churches of the Association seemed interested in having a Bible school, but had some difficulty in deciding upon the date. Then the polio epidemic became worse and the church thought it best to dispense with the Bible schools.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Snyder.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Since our last Association, according to reliable sources, eight million dollars have been spent for alcoholic beverages. The share of each one of us in this church is exactly $55.79.

While the good citizens of our county put the stamp of disapproval on hard liquor by a decisive vote not long ago, still the black fag of wine and beer is waving over many places of business within our bounds.

Since our last Association, the Paymaster has settled several accounts with death — a reminder of the penalty for those who deal in intoxicants.

Within the past few weeks, 18 counties in N. C., have voted out beer and wine. After trying it, they say its enough and by an enormous majority they put it on the run and stamped it

a costly and debauching business. May I beseech you, be strong! Do not weaken, as some suggest.

Alleghany can and should lift its standard one notch higher. Please do not weaken, but be strong. The gleam of light is growing brighter.

Respectfully,
Mrs. J. T. Fender.

W. M. U. REPORT

It is with gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we report the progress of the Woman's Missionary Union of our Association during the past year.

There was an increase in membership from 38 to 66, increases in cooperative program gifts, offerings to State, Home and Foreign Missions and other denominational interests, the reported gifts for all causes being $226.25.

We sponsored a drive for used clothing during the summer, for World Relief, and a total of 691 pounds was shipped to the Southern Baptist relief center at New Orleans. There it is sorted, repacked, with portions of scripture enclosed, and sent to the needy in other parts of the world.

It is a great joy to report the organization of a girls' auxiliary at Sparta church with a membership of seventeen very active and interested girls.

Our annual meeting at Laurel Springs, June 10, was a time of real inspiration and fellowship with all of our organizations well represented and two pastors present. We were delighted to have our State Executive Secretary, Miss Ruth Province, of Raleigh, with us and hear her inspiring message. We also had a Japanese student missionary from our W. M. U. Training school at Louisville, Ky., who, through her soul-stirring message, made us realize the joy of having even a small part in helping her and others called by God, to hear and give to others the saving message of our Lord.

We regret that the other eight churches in our Association do not join us in W. M. U. organizations and find the joy of service in this field of missionary endeavor. Let us go forward in His strength and His name.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Assistant Supt..

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

Every year a Mother's Day offering is sent in from all over the State. The amount was $126,435.

The service patients' cost was $284,282. In addition to what they paid, $145,262 came from the Duke Endowment.

This tremendous amount of free service is much larger in percentage than was done by any other Baptist hospital in the world.

Report by Rev. Willie Hamm.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In this fast age in which we live, we are so much interested in our children getting an education. We all go our length in helping them in obtaining, at least, a high school education. But many of us are pitifully neglecting the real fundamental teachings that should be given our children in childhood to prepare them for a successful Christian life.

Let us refer to Moses of the Bible, when he was giving the commandments to the children of Israel. Deut. 6: 6-9, "And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart; and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates."

A Christian education must begin in the home, instead of practicing ungodly things before our children while they are young and then hope for them a Christian education to be obtained from schools and colleges when they have grown up.

We are proud of the colleges, universities and theological schools, and the work they are doing, sponsored by our Southern Baptist, but let us remember that a life and education begun right is more apt to end right.

Then let us rally around our youth training, in our homes, in our Sunday schools, and in our young people's training unions, that we may be better enabled to hand to our schools and colleges a better grade of material for them to work upon. Then a building will have been erected upon a solid foundation, built of enduring material and supported by the unfailing favors of a God of love, that will be able to meet the issues of life in the strength of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. Royall.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In most churches we are glad to report considerable progress, especially at Pine Fork, Mt. Carmel and Belleview.

On the agreement of the Executive Committee, progress is being made on the construction of a parsonage at Whitehead. The lumber for the framing is on the ground.

Your committee has failed to do the visiting and personal work which we should have done.

W. F. Doughton, Chairma
J. R. Fender
W. F. Royall

SPECIAL REPORT ON CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT

We move that the present committee on recommendations for changes in the Constitution and by-laws be continued and that three others be added to the committee as follows: Rev. Kenneth Snyder, Mrs. Effie Pruitt and Rev. Fred Blevins.

F. G. Walker,
Ruth Choate,
E. C. Minnich, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REPORT

Resolved that in the coming year each church in this Association shall support each other in their Christian activities. Especially do we recommend that all ministers join together during revivals in a solid effort to win the lost to Christ.

In behalf of the Baptist of this Association, we would like to give a rising vote of thanks to the people of Pine Fork church for their cordial welcome extended us and for the delicious lunch and kind reception, we are deeply grateful.

Mrs. E. E. Caudill
Mr. E. E. Jones
Mr. E. W. Shepherd.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Our Sunday schools are the most important organizations that are carried on by the churches. A Sunday school is nothing but a church at work. To have a progressive county, we must have a progressive church with a progressive Sunday school. It is an institution where every child of God can take part and do something for the Master. Here the unsaved can be taught the truths of His word and be led from darkness to light. The Sunday school needs us and we need the Sunday school. May the older people not just send their children. Let's take them.

Respectfully submitted,
Van Miller.

REPORT ON TRAINING UNION

During the past year, training union work has made very little progress in this Association. I do not like to make this statement, yet little effort has been made in this work. From the best information I have been able to find, there are only two churches in the Association which have any training union work going on. These are struggling along for existence. There are no legitimate excuses that can be offered. We have fallen down on the job. Yes, the membership of the churches in the Alleghany Association, especially the adults, have failed to provide essential training for themselves and others.

A wide awake training union is greatly needed in every church. We need eleven training unions just as we need eleven Sunday schools. The day schools need trained teachers, business

demands trained personnel. Should our churches be satisfied with less?

What can be done in our Association to encourage Training in our churches?

In reporting on this phase of our work last year Brother Swanson Edwards made an appeal for an Associational worker in the fields of missions and training. I am in full accord with his suggestion.

The young people have talents which should be developed. The Training Union in your church will give an excellent opportunity to the young and old for Christian development.

The challenge continues to be ours. With this challenge comes a great opportunity for leadership service.

Respectfully submitted,
H. E. Singletary.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee wishes to suggest that the following persons be unanimously elected to serve the Association in the coming year:
Dr. N. D. Fox, Moderator; Walter P. Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer; W. F. Doughton, J. T. Fender, W. F. Royal, Members of the executive committee.

Respectfully yours,
W. F. Doughton, Chairman
Rev. Willie Hamm
Mrs. Carrie Jones
H. E. Singletary
Ray Parlier.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT

TIME: Saturday, before and the second Sunday, September 11-12, 1949.

PLACE: Laurel Springs Baptist church.

PREACHER: Rev. Troy Blevins, North Wilkesboro.

Respectfully submitted by,
Rev. Fred Blevins
Andy Osborne
W. F. Shepherd
T. S. Moxley
H. J. Spicer.

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES				Pastors and Addresses	Baptisms	Letter and Other Additions	Loss by Death	Total Losses	Total Res. Members	Total Non-Res. Members	Grand To. Present Mem	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget
Bellview	OC	1909	2	Rev. Lee Woodruff, Sparta, N. C.					26	12	38	1		
Chestnut Grove	OC	1893	1	Rev. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, N. C.	4	1		3	42	42	84	1	6	
Laurel Springs	OC	1891	1-2-3-4	Rev. Kenneth Snyder, Laurel Springs, N. C.	3	2	1	1	49	10	59	1		
Liberty	OC	1881	3	Rev. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, N. C.	2	3	1	2	48	24	72	1		
Mt. Carmel	OC	1884	1	Rev. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, N. C.	2							1		
New Hope	OC	1881	4	None				1				1		
New River	OC	1939	3	Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.					83	6	89			
Osborne Memorial	OC	1943	1-3	Rev. E. B. Barton, Atkins, Va.	14	8						2		
Pine Fork	OC	1898	4	Rev. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, N. C.	1				49	25	74	1		
Scottville	OC	1925	2	Rev. John Goodman, West Jefferson, N. C.	8	4	1	15	90	66	156	1	18	
Sparta	T	1886	1-2-3-4-5	Rev. F. Guy Walker, Sparta, N. C.	6	3	1	3	23	18	41	2	6	

Table B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES		Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers not counted	Grand To. S. S. Enrollment	Average Attendance	V. Bible School Enrol.	Average Attendance
Bellview	None Reported				13	11		20				44	22	55	47
Chestnut Grove	Mrs. Belva Brooks, Sparta, N. C.			5	5	8			29		1	47	20		
Laurel Springs	Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.	3		6	8	6	12	8	20	6	6	69	27	55	47
Liberty	Mrs. E. F. Hoppers, Whitehead, N. C.	4		3	4		10		12			33		40	38
Mt. Carmel	Garnett Smith, Glade Valley, N. C.											94	32		
New Hope	Miss Donna Jones, Furches, N. C.	6		7		21		26	26			80	38	47	40
New River	Oscar Shumake, Sparta, N. C.				5	5	5				4	50	30		
Osborne Memorial	E. C. Minnick, Piney Creek, N. C.				15	20		20	25			80	45		
Pine Fork	Posiei Pruitt, Citron, N. C.			17		12			40		4	73	40		
Scottville	W. F. Shepherd, Scottville, N. C.	3	3	5		5	3	6	10		3	36	20		
Sparta	Dr. N. D. Fox, Sparta, N. C.		10	8	16	22	17	19	36		2	130	55	76	42

Table C — TRAINING UNION

	Training Union Directors and Addresses	Number of Story Hours	No. of Junior Unions	No. of Int. Unions	No. of Adult Unions	Grand Ootal Unions	Story Hour Enrolled	Junior Enrolled	Intermediate Enrolled	Y. People Enrolled	Adult Enrolled	Gen. Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Av. Attendance	Youth Week	Christian Home Week
New Hope	Paul Swanson, Stratford, N. C.						5	3	4	24	8	4	44			
Sparta	H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C.	1	1	1	1	4	6	7	10	10	5	38	22	No	No	

Churches having no Training Unions are: Bellview, Chestnut Grove, Laurel Springs, Liberty, Mt. Carmel, New River, Osborne Memorial, Pine Fork, Scottville.

Table D. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	President of W. M. S. and Addresses	W. M. S. Units	G. A. Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mission Study	Total Tithers All Or.
Laurel Springs	Mrs. Kenneth Snyder, Laurel Springs	1			10		10		
Liberty	Mrs. W. M. Wagoner, Whitehead, N. C.	1			18		18		
Sparta	Mrs. Ben G. Reeves, Sparta, N. C.	1	1	2	36	20	56	23	6

The following churches have no W. M. S.: Bellview, Chestnut Grove, Mt. Carmel, New Home, New River, Osborne Memorial, Pine Fork, Scottville.

Table E — BROTHERHOOD WORK — BUILDING

CHURCHES	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Spent on Building and Remodeling	Building and Reserve Funds on Hand at End of Year
Bellview, No Brotherhood		1000.00		
Chestnut Grove, No Brotherhood		3500.00		
Laurel Springs, No Brotherhood		3000.00		
Liberty, No Brotherhood	1700.00	5000.00	30.00	
Mt. Carmel, No Brotherhood		2000.00		
		1000.00		
New River, No Brotherhood		3000.00	200.00	
Osborne Memorial, No Brotherhood		7000.00	9.00	
Pine Fork, No Brotherhood				400.00
Scottville, No Brotherhood		1830.00	222.80	
Sparta, No Brotherhood	15000.00	55000.00	1192.76	125.00

Table F — GIFTS FOR LOCAL WORK OF CHURCH

Churches, Treasurers and Addresses	Pastor's Salary Paid for Year	Janitor, Fuel, Repairs Insurance, etc.	Asst. Pastor, Educational Director, Chair Leader	Revival Expense and Pastoral Supply	Pand on Church Debt out of Current Funds	Literature, Quarterlies, Church Paper, Song Books	Local Benevolences	Building Fund (given Associational Year)	Local Missions	Other Objects	Total Given for Local Church Work
Bellview, C. E. Jones, Furches	64.49	66.45		32.70		12.35				4.00	178.99
Chestnut Grove, Lewis F. Fender, Sparta	100.00			51.00		8.36					159.36
Laurel Sp'gs, Van Miller, Laurel Sp'gs	1146.81	53.60	10.00	78.00		79.50	25.00			103.00	1495.91
Liberty, J. T. Fender, Whitehead	380.00	48.00		45.00		16.00	5.00	29.00	7.00	12.00	542.00
Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royal, Glade Valey	187.43	5.00		59.40				81.49			328.32
New Hope,	175.00					19.00		32.00		35.00	261.00
New River, C. G. Pollard, Sparta	50.00	200.00			120.00			200.00			570.00
Osborne Mem., Mrs. Harry Young, Sparta		52.50				24.00	44.00		50.00	23.00	193.00
Pine Fork, Posie Pruitt, Citron	189.25	10.00		96.00		19.34	25.00			2.00	341.59
Scottville, George Perry, Peden	31.40	9.06		31.98		10.96					83.40
Sparta, A. H. Edwards, Sparta	2700.04	597.06		204.50		109.07		1192.76		2402.97	7206.40

Table G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

Churches, Clerks and Address	Co-operative Program (or Unified Budget)	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Mis.	Schools, Colleges and Seminaries	Orphanage, Total Gifts	Designated to Hospitals	Relief and Annuity; Other Objects	To. Gifts for Missions	Grand Total Gifts For all Purposes	Pledged to Cooperative Program	Pledged Associational Missions
Bellview, C. E. Jones, Furches ------				11.32	62.13		6.00	10.75	108.04		198.24		
Chestnut Gr've, Lewis Fender, Sparta								1.50			1.50		
Laurel Sp'gs, W. F. Doughton, L. Sp'gs												10.00	5.00
Liberty, Mrs. E. E. Cheek, Whitehead	128.39		11.20				212.27	31.00		382.86	765.62		
Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royal, Glade Valley	70.88	2.00	6.00	2.70	8.00	7.70	41.00	17.70	10.00	165.98	177.98	15.00	10.00
New Hope -- -- -- -- -- ------	1												
New River, R. T. Anders, Sparta ----			4.00				25.00	5.00			34.00		
Osborne Mem. Mrs. C. Phipps, Sparta							5.00	5.00			10.00		
Pine Fork, Effie Pruitt, Laurel Sp'gs							25.00	15.00			40.00		
Scottville, Mrs. W. F. Shepherd, Sc't'lle							39.00	2.00		41.00	82.00		
Sparta, H. E. Singeltary, Sparta ----	2.05						6.30				8.35		

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collis	James Eller
3. 1888, Sept. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sep. 10-1[illegible]	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sep 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910 Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21. 1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22. 1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23. 1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sep.9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek

26.	1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28.	1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R .A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Saterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottsville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton

ANNUAL

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association

53RD ANNUAL SESSION

—Held With—

LAUREL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

LAUREL SPRINGS, N. C.

September 10-11, 1949

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Next Session Will Be Held With

NEW RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

September 9-10, 1950

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Introductory Sermron By

Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta, N. C.

Alternate A. K. Taylor,

Independence, Va.

ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION GENERAL OFFICERS

Van F. Miller, Moderator ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.

Herbert Osborne, Vice Moderator -------- Piney Creek, N. C.

W. K. Sprinkle, Clerk-Treasurer ---------- Sparta, N. C.

A. O. Joines, Auditor ---------- Sparta, N. C.

John Cheek, Historian ---------- Sparta, N. C.

F. W. Royal, Choister ---------- Cherry Lane, N. C.

Mrs. Walter Johnson, Pianist ---------- Sparta, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Van F. Miller, Chairman, Ex - Officio ---- Laurel Springs, N. C.

W. K. Sprinkle, Clerk ---------- Sparta, N. C.

Amos Wagoner ---------- Sparta Church

W. F. Doughton ---------- Laurel Springs Church

F. W. Royall ---------- Mt. Carmel Church

~~J. T. Fender~~ Dale Woodie ---------- Liberty Church

C. E. Jones ---------- Bellview Church

Posey Pruitt ---------- Pine Fork Church

COMMITTEES ON REPORTS FOR 1959

1. Representative of Baptist Publication, Miss Donna Jones.
2. Hospital, Mrs. J. K. Doughton.
3. Orphanage, Mrs. Harry Young.
4. Temperance, Mrs F. G. Walker.
5. Missions, Mrs. J. T. Fender.
6. Education, Mrs. Ruth J. Choate.
7. Evangelism, Mrs. A. O. Joines.
8. Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. R. E. Richardson.
9. Training Union, H. E. Singletary.
10. Sunday schools, Walter P. Johnson.
11. Committee on Whitehead Parsonage, Ben Reeves, J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek.
12. Committee on History of Alleghany Association — John M. Cheek, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton, Hon. R. L. Doughton.
13. Daily Vacation Bible School, Lee Woodruff.

RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. F. G. Walker ---------- Sparta, N. C.

Rev. William Hamm ---------- Laurel Springs, N. C.

Rev. Lee Woodruff ---------- Sparta, N. C.

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina, and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all regularly ordained ministers holding membership in these churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty, and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereto: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promotng the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship, and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday school Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastors of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospitals, Periodicals, Sunday Schools, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Associational Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association ad interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886.)"

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should takethe Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the ressurection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and thata the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan
I. W. Thomas
C. J. Woodson
J. F. Fletcher
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion, but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or, at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the

Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn., to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee shall be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules of some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Robert's" or "Kerfoots."

Proceedings

Saturday Morning Session, Sept. 10—10:00 A. M.

The fifty-third annual meeting of the Alleghany Missionary Baptist churches assembled with the Laurel Springs Baptist church, Laurel Springs, N. C., to enjoy a fine fellowship with the associational churches and to carry out the business proceedings.

The Moderator, Dr. N. D. Fox, called the association to order. Walter P. Johnson served as officiating clerk. Devotional by Rev. Fred Blevins. Visitors recognized by G. W. Bullard.

Roll call of churches conducted by Moderator.

Report of executive committee by W. F. Doughton, chmn. Report was adopted.

Report on Baptist Publications by Mrs. J. T. Fender. Report was adopted.

Report on Missions by Mrs. E. E. Caudill. Report was adopted.

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. Ross Richardson. Report was adopted.

A special message on the "Status Quo" of Association by Rev. F. G. Walker.

Hymn — "All Hail the Power" by the congregation.

Address by G. W. Bullard of State Board. Topic — "Christian Stewardship."

Report on Temperance by Mrs. A. O. Joines. Report was adopted.

Annual appointment of committees by Moderator.

Hymn — "Take My Life and Let It Be" by the congregation.

Introductory sermon by Rev. John G. Goodman of Scottville church. Text — Psalm 49: 1-7.

Adjourned for lunch. Lunch was served by ladies of the Laurel Springs church.

Afternoon Session, Sept. 10, 1949 — 1:30 P. M.

Devotional was conducted by Rev. Lee Woodruff, of Bellview church.

Hymn sung by congregation, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

Recognized visitors — Dr. W. K. McGee from Baptist hospital, Winston - Salem, N. C.; Rev. F. L. Bell.

Report on hospital by Clerk Walter P. Johnson, who read associational contribution to hospital.

Remarks by Rev. F. L. Bell regarding hospital.

Address by Dr. W. K. McGee of Baptist hospital.

In a special business session Dr. N. D. Fox was elected as the associational representative for the Baptist hospital.

Report on Education by Miss Donna Jones.
Report was adopted.

Report on Training Union by Herbert E. Singletary. Report was adopted.

Hymn — "How Firm A Foundation," by congregation.

Evangelism by Rev. F. G. Walker.

Report on Daily Vacation Bible Schools by Mrs. Carrie Jones. Report was adopted.

Reports on various committees as follows:

Report of Nominating Committee. Report was adopted as presented by acclamation.

Report of committee on time, place and preacher: Time, Saturday before second Sunday in September 1950. Place, New River church. Evening session at Sparta church. Preacher, Rev. F. G. Walker. Alternate, Rev. A. K. Taylor.

Committee, A. O. Joines, chairman; C. E. Jones, W. F. Doughton, Dale Atwood and Oscar Shumate.

Nominating Committee report: Van Miller, Moderator; W. K. Sprinkle, Clerk.

Report of Resolution Committee by W. K. Sprinkle and Emmett Reeves.

New constitution written and approved.

The association met in proper order and after an open discussion an amended constitution was approved by a two-thirds majority of the delegates from member churches. All churches were represented except Chestnut Grove.

Benediction.

Sunday Morning Session—Sept. 11,1949 — 10:00 A. M.

Opened with singing "Come Thou Fount" by congregation.

Devotional conducted by Rev. F. G. Walker.

Visitors recognized — Alex Bahnson, Winston - Salem;

Randill Shelton, Winston - Salem; Dr. and Mrs. Zeno Wall, Thomasville; Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, Mars Hill College.

Sunday school report by Van Miller. Report was adopted.

Roll call of churches.

Song — "Blessed Assurance" by congregation.

In a special called business session executive committeemen were elected.

A very interesting, impromptu testimony was given by Bro. Alex Bahnson, of Winston - Salem Calvary Baptist church.

Orphanage report given by Mrs. T. S. Moxley. Report was adopted.

Address on orphanage by Dr. Zeno Wall, of Mills home.

Hymn — "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus" sung by congregation.

The association approved the cooperation of this association with the Southwide Baptist Evangelistic meetings in 1950.

Special music by Sparta choir.

Closing sermon by Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, Mars Hill college. His topic was "The Standard For Christian Living."

Benediction.

In Memoriam

Bellview — Mr. W. A. Atwood.

Laurel Springs — Mrs. Susie Shepherd.

Liberty — Mrs. Ray C. Housier.

Mt. Carmel — Mr. David Crouse, Mrs. Nancy Chambers Crouse, Mrs. Mary Todd.

New Hope — Mr. A. C. Dancy.

DELEGATES

Bellview — C E. Jones, Alex Brown, Roy Church.
Laurel Springs — Van Miller, T. L. Robinette, T. S. Moxley.
Liberty — A. O. Joines, J. T. Fender, F. W. Cheek.
Mt. Carmel — Paul Woodruff, F. W. Royal, Everett Shaw.
New River — Oscar Shumate, Preston Maines, J. P. Maines.
New Hope — Wiley McMillan, Mrs. Carrie Mitchell, Miss Donna Jones.
Osborne Memorial — Ray Parlier, Bayse Parsons, Clinton Young.
Pine Fork — Gordon Wyatt, Posey Pruitt, Calvin Wyatt.
Scottville — Dale Awtood, James Church, Oscar Perry.
Sparta — Mrs. Clennel Richardson, Mrs. Ross Richardson, Bill Sprinkle.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your committee wishes to report that the churches of the Association in general have had a year of progress. Good revivals have been held in a number of the churches with several additions. Not many Vacation Bible schools have been or is there more than one or two training unions maintained.

The Association badly needs a trained worker to help in

the work of training the young people and other work.

Respectfully submitted:

W. F. Doughton, Chairman
J. T. Fender,
F. W. Royal.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

Intemperance is an evil as old as human society. Its victims are among kings and princes as well as among paupers. Intemperance is the parent of crime. It blights personality and cares nothing at all for personal values.

In 1947, nearly three billion gallons of alcoholic beverage were sold, or an average of 20 gallons per capita, at the cost of over nine and one-half billion dollars. Alcoholic beverages, whether sold under legal license or otherwise, have always had a harmful effect on the morals and well-being of society. The Honorable Clyde R. Hoey, our North Carolina Senator, says, "There can be no enduring prosperity for any country built upon profits derived from the sale of liquor. The permanent impoverishment is inevitably greater than any temporary benefit realized from liquor stores."

The enforcement of the laws of temperance is a tremendous task before the American people. No government, by operation of laws, can enforce higher standards of conduct than are approved by the majority of the people.

Christianity is the logical force to lead the way. The church is the only organized source of spiritual leadership which a bruised and bleeding world so greatly needs. The challenge and the opportunity is ours. Let every member keep steadily in view the prime purpose of the church—to provide confidence in the Great Physician and go forward to bind the wounds of broken humanity.

Therefore we recommend: First, that as a Christian organization we use our influence in supporting present and future legislation to curtail and destroy the waster of property, blighter of homes and destroyer of souls.

Second, that we teach our children to know the evils and horrors of this curse of drink and that we discourage the making, using or selling of wine, beer and other intoxicating drinks.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. A. O. Joines.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Evangelism is a primary function of a New Testament church. Both personal and mass evangelism are essential to the greatest of success in a soul - winning program in any church. Our Southern Baptist leaders are trying to promote both. Alleghany Baptists have taken the first steps. Let's press onward until we reach the goal.

While it is regrettable that Dr. J. C. Canipe, head of Evangelism for North Carolina Baptists, could not come to us this year; it is encouraging that he has promised to come and direct

our campaign in 1950. Therefore, let us continue our efforts to win the lost to Christ in our separate communities and be ready to give full cooperation when Dr. Canipe arrives in 1950.

Respectfully submitted:
F. G. Walker.

REPORT ON BAPTIST PUBLICATIONS

The safe and sane thoughts of our Baptists, are expressed by the leaders through the Baptist publications of our denominational papers.

Here are a few of the outstanding sources of the information that makes men, leaders in our work. Of course, first of all is the Bible. Following is the Biblical Recorder and the Charity and Children. These two State Journals will keep you informed as to the work of the Baptists in the State. For the broader view of the work is Royal Service. Foreign Fields, and one of the finest publications of all is Home - Life, published by the Sunday school board at Nashville, Tenn. This is especially helpful to parents, as well as children, and should find a place in the home of all Christian thinking people.

Respectfully submitted:
Mrs. J. T. Fender.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY REPORT

When we review the records of the Alleghany Woman's Missionary Union for the past year, we would express our heart's gratitude to God for any achievements and plead His forgiveness for any failure on our part to have accomplished what He gave us opportunity to do in His name.

Our gifts from the W. M. S. organizations in the three churches which have W. M. U. work — Laurel Springs, Liberty and Sparta — amounted to $283.65. $108.48 was given through the Cooperative Program and $175.22 through our special offerings to the Baptist Hospital, Orphanage, Foreign, Home and State Missions. There was a marked increase in our gifts to missions which we felt was the result of more interest and attendance in Mission Study classes and information concerning the need of our Mission fields.

We were very fortunate to have Mrs. John Wascaster to teach two Association - wide mission study classes during the year. She and Miss Laura Frances Snow are our two full time state field representatives and may be secured to help organize, teach or assist in the W. M. U. work in any of the Associations of the State. Our W. M. S. membership has shown an increase of about 10 per cent with a total now of 70. There is one very active G. A. with a membership of 20. One R. A. was organized with 9 boys. The annual meeting in June, was held at the Sparta church with about 35 in attendance. It was a time of great inspiration and fellowship. Miss Florence Lido, one of our missionaries to China brought us a wonderful message on the work in China and Mrs. John Wascaster presented an address on "The Urgency of Making Christ Known."

"The harvest truly is plenteous," is our own Association

and throughout the world. May we be busy about our Father's business.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. R. E. Richardson Associational Superintendent.

REPORT ON TRAINING UNION WORK

Kingdom building is the job of the church. If this building is to be done effectively a program of training must be carried out in every church. Preaching the gospel is the first responsibility of the church, and should be supported by all of its membership. The Sunday school has the job of teaching the gospel, and every member should support the Sunday school. The missionary society leads into greater effort in carrying the gospel to the people who have never heard. The training union is responsible for developing the leadership for the entire program.

Only one church in the Alleghany Association has an active training union program. The Sparta Baptist church has training work organized for the adults, intermediates and juniors. The total enrollment of 33 is far too small.

There is a need for an associational director for Training Union work. Churches need the assistance of someone in organizational work. Churches desiring help with organizational work could call on the Director for help in getting started.

Every church needs to train its membership. This part of the church program is being neglected. Shall we continue to neglect such an important part of the kingdom work?

Respectfully submitted:
H. E. Singletary.

MISSIONS

We all have missions in our communities. Missions means a commission — a duty — and an errand. If we would find our place, Christians have a great privilege of sending the gospel to those who have never heard it. Indeed, it is a bounding duty of all Christians to be missionaries in spirit. Our Saviour said, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations," and He said again "ye shall be my witnesses unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Jesus would first have us witness at home. Baptists have a great opportunity in Alleghany county. There are places within bounds of our Association we need to reach. Let us join in giving Christ to our home-land.

No one questions the vital need of a strong State Mission program. Our leaders can only make this program as strong as our churches permit them. The heart-felt cry comes from other nations this very day "Come over and help us."

We are glad to report a great increase in our churches in our mission program.

Respectfully submitted:
Mrs. E. E. Caudill.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

Since the establishment of the Baptist Orphanage on August 5, 1885, thousands of homeless boys and girls have been cared for. Last year 793 children were helped in Mills Home, Kennedy Home and in foster homes. Other needy children were helped in their own homes with their mothers. Each year the number of homeless ones helped by the Baptist Orphanage grows within our state.

A new cottage costing over $66,000 is to be opened at Kennedy Home soon. This will take care of 24 more children. In the last year, new freezer plants have been opened at both the Mills Home and Kennedy Home. Last year, because it was necessary to erect some new buildings and improve the old ones $56,000 more was spent than was received. As it appears now the same thing will have to be done this year. We have not gone in the "red" but dipped into the reserve funds, which had been laid aside for this purpose.

If the orphanage is to continue the outstanding service to the homeless boys and girls of our state a more adequate support must be given. I would like to urge our churches and Sunday schools to increase their offering from time to time so that this great work can be carried on without sustaining any loss at the end of the year.

It has been asked that each Association elect an interested Orphanage Representative, who will urge each church and Sunday school to contribute regularly to the Orphanage; that a worthy offering be made at or near Thanksgiving, and that copies of Charity and Children are received weekly by each church. If this is done faithfully, the cause of the homeless and dependent children will be more intelligently and adequately supported.

At the orphanage, the spirit of cooperation among the workers is as fine as can be found in any institution. They take so seriously their work that they meet daily for Bible reading and prayer, praying for every phase of the work and for every one who gives to help carry on. Let us pray for them in this great work and may we do our best for the orphans and homeless in our institution.

Respectfully submitted:

Mrs. Tom Moxley.

TABLE A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES				PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer	Total Resident Members	To. Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	Church Libary
Bellview	OC	1909	2_4	Lee Woodruff, Sparta	2	2	2	28	8	36	1		No	No
Laurel Springs	OC	1891	1_3	J. D. Whisnant, Taylorsville	1	4	6	50	30	80			No	No
Liberty	OC	1881	3	Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, Rt. 2	1		1	49	20	69	1	5	No	No
Mt. Carmel	OC	1884	1	Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, Rt. 2	16	4	6	65	22	87	2		No	No
New Hope	OC	1881	2				4	30	8	38			No	Yes
New River	OC	1939	3	A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.		5		30			1		No	No
Osborne Memorial	OC	1943	1_3	E. B. Barton, Sparta	4			68	26	94	1		No	No
Pine Fork	OC	1898	4	Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, Rt. 2	12	1	3	66	9	75	1		No	No
Scottville	OC	1925	1_3	C. O. Younce, West Jefferson		2		51	25	76	3	1	No	No
Sparta	T	1886	1_2_3_4	F. G. Walker, Sparta	5	7	2	100	66	166	1	20	Yes	No

Table B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	No. Mission Study School	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Study En.	Grand To. Sunday School	Av. Attendance	Vacation Bible School	Av. Attendance
Bellview	Alex Brown, Furches	0					16	19		12				47	25		
Laurel Springs	Van Miller, Laurel Springs		3	4	6	5	10	6	15	18	6	6		77	35		
Liberty	Mrs. Dale Woodie, Whitehead		3			8	10		12	17				47	30	20	19
Mt. Carmel	Garnett Smith, Glade Valley													107	40		
New Hope	Miss Donna Jones, Furches			3	5	7	15	5	10					45	20		
New River	Oscar Shumate, Sparta							20	10					30	18		
Osborne Memorial	E. C. Minnich, Piney Creek				14		14		16	32				76	54		
Pine Fork	Posey Pruitt, Citron			6	5	8		10	10	8		3		50	36		
Scottville	W. F. Shepherd, Scottville			2	3			10	5	10		4		34	22		
Sparta	N. D. Fox, Sparta		29	8	6	12	18	20	12	33		3		159	75	65	47

Table F — CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	Funds on Hand	Total Gifts	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Maintenance	New Buildings	Literature	Local Missions	Revival Expense	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenditures
Bellview, C. E. Jones, Furches		207.54	118.22		28.91		14.70		35.31			197.24
L. Spg's, Van Miller, L. Sp'gs.		1448.86	840.00		161.51		45.38	10.00	40.00		20.15	1117.03
Liberty, Mrs. J. T. Fender, Whitehac		1887.89	199.89				29.50	15.00	30.50			274.89
Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royal, G. Valley.	9.34	713.39	250.17						221.63			555.45
N. Hope, Mrs. Dan Jones, Sct'ville.	50.00	242.00	175.00	20.00	20.00		15.00				12.00	242.00
	50.00	157.00	50.00							100.00		150.00
Osborne Mem. Mrs. H. Young, Sparta		902.94	582.03		54.88		42.00		113.83		27.00	819.74
Pine Fork, Posey Pruitt, Citron		344.00	180.03			70.00	15.63	76.34				344.00
Scottville, J. Church, Scottville	32.00	292.65	94.26		52.75		38.34		54.41		20.89	284.26
Sparta, A. H. Edwards, Sparta	1.25	4892.25	2750.04	120.00	147.87	587.71	272.77		265.00		399.15	4542.54

Table G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

CHURCHES, CLERKS' ADDRESSES	Co-operative Program	Associational Misisons	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Schools, Colleges,	Orphanage, Total Gifts	Designated to Hospitals	Relief and Annuity	Total Gifts for Missions	Grand Total	Balance All Funds
Bellview, C. E. Jones, Furches								10.30		10.30	207.54	
Laurel Springs, W. F. Doughton, L. Sp'gs.	106.00		30.22	20.00	30.00		64.66	35.50	45.45	331.83	1448.86	
Liberty, Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	18.75		1.88	4.65	3.09		5.00	14.00		47.37	322.26	
Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royal, Glade Valley								53.66			609.11	113.62
New River, Robert L. Andrews, Sparta	60.00	2.00					5.00	5.00		72.00	222.00	57.00
Osborne Memorial, Carrie Phipps				26.00	14.20		13.00	30.00		83.20	902.94	55.00
Pine Fork, Posey Pruitt, Citron								2.00		2.00	344.00	
Scottville, Mildred Atwood, Nathan's Cr'k.							1.56	11.36	10.69	23.61	284.26	
Sparta, H. E. Singletary, Sparta	13.72		11.13	16.80	26.85	10.05	25.00	10.00	110.04	241.49	4784.03	
New Hope, D. J. Jones, Scottville			5.00				7.50	10.00	10.00	33.50	265.50	

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collis	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1.	1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2.	1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3.	1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4.	1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5.	1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6.	1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7.	1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8.	1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9.	1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10.	1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11.	1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12.	1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13.	1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14.	1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15.	1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16.	1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17.	1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18.	1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19.	1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20.	1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21.	1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22.	1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23.	1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24.	1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25.	1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek

26.	1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28.	1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52.	1948, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53.	1949, Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton

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CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina, and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereto: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promotng the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship, and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday school Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday Schools, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of all Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association ad interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886)"

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament —is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the ressurection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan
I. W. Thomas
C. J. Woodson
J. E. Fletcher
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under dicussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the disipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Robert's" or Kerfoots.

Proceedings

Saturday Morning Session, September 9, 1950, 10:00 A. M.

Saturday morning, September 9, 1950, 10:00 A. M., the fifty-fourth annual meeting of the Alleghany Missionary Baptist churches assembled with the New River Baptist church, Route 2, Sparta, North Carolina to enjoy a fine fellowship with the associational churches and to carry out the business proceedings.

The session was opened with song and devotional.

The Moderator, Van F. Miller, called the association to order. H. E. Singletary was elected temporary Clerk.

Visitors were recognized as follows: J. C. Canipe, E. L. Spivey, B. R. Holbrook, C. W. Basemore, Mrs. Earl James, W. C. Reed, Mr. Young, and Mr. Kendall.

Roll call of churches was conducted by Moderator.

A new church, Welcome Home, was admitted to the association.

Report of Exective Committee was made by Mr. Frank Doughton, Chairman.

Report on Publication by Miss Donna Jones was adopted.

Report on W. M. U. work was given by Mrs. Ross Richardson, and Mrs. Earl James, Elkin, North Carolina, discussed the opportunities of the country church.

Mrs. A. C. Joines made a report on Evangelism. Following this Mr. J. C. Canipe spoke on the work of Evangelism and the simultaneous revival to be held East of the Mississippi River, beginning in March.

Rev. F. G. Walker made a report on Temperance which was adopted.

The following committees were appointed: Committee on election of officers; Amos Wagoner, Mrs. A. C. Joines, and F. W. Royal: Committee on time and place for next meeting George Shepherd, Clennel Richardson, Glenn Vestal, Willie Hamm, Howard Brown, and Walter Johnson.

Report on Missions by E. L. Spivey was adopted.

The morning session ended with a sermon given by Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta Church.

AFTERNOON SESSION, SEPTEMBER 9, 1950, 1:30 P. M.

The session was opened with song and devotional.

Report on Hospital by Mrs. J. K. Doughton was adopted.

Report on Christian Education by Miss Irene Richardson was adopted.

Mr. W. C. Reed spoke briefly on the work of our Orphanages.

Report on Daily Vacation Bible School by Rev. Lee Woodruff was adopted.

The report by time and place committee was adopted. New Hope Baptist Church was selected as the place, and September 8-9, 1951, the time.

Motion adopted to include as a permanent part of the association the Saturday night session devoted to Young Peoples Work.

Motion adopted to turn over work of the Whitehead Parsonage Committee to the Executive Committee.

Sunday Morning Session, September 10, 1950, 10:00 A. M.

The Sunday Morning was opened with song and devotional.

Minutes of the two previous sessions were read.

Report by the Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Walter Johnson was made and adopted.

Report on Orphanage work made by Miss Irene Richardson was adopted.

In the absence of Dr. I. G. Grier, the committee secured Rev. J. D. Whisnant to preach the closing sermon.

In Memoriam

Sparta — Mrs. Claude Miles, Mrs. H. G. Greene.
Chestnut Grove — Mrs. Nannie Edwards.
Pine Fork — Mr. J. F. Roberts.

DELEGATES

Bellview — C. E. Jones, G. W. Shepherd, George Blevins.
Chestnut Grove — Mrs. Bertha Edwards, Howard Brooks, Wayne Edwards, Lewis Fender.
Laurel Springs — W. F. Doughton, E. W. Shepherd, T. S. Moxley, Mrs. M. E. Reeves.
Liberty — Mrs. Bess Estep, Mrs. A. O. Joines, Mrs. E. E. Caudill.

Mt. Carmel — F. W. Royal, Garnett Smith, Leff Royal, Stewart Lyon.
New Hope — Glenn Vestal, Donna Jones, Frank Roupe.
New River — Flora Andrews, Mollie Pollard, Molly Tilley.
Osborne Memorial — E. C. Minnich, Earl Delp, Brady Farmer and Howard Brown.
Pine Fork — Robert Hoppers, U. S. Myers, Posey Pruitt.
Scottville — Dale Atwood, James H. Church, W. F. Shepherd.
Sparta — Mrs. C. A. Reeves, H. E. Singletary, Amos Wagoner, Ben Reeves, Mrs. Clennel Richardson.
Welcome Home — Ernest Wilson, Jack Wilson, Gibson Wilson.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

It was William E. Gladstone, a great English statesman, who said, "The drink traffic has caused more poverty, more misery more deaths than all the wars of all times."

Alcohol threatens the freedom of any individual who partakes of it. Its general tendency is to enslave by demanding more and more. It is estimated that there are 65,000,000 drinkers of beverage alcohol in the U. S. Four million of these are chronic, excessive drinkers and 750,000 definitely classed as alcoholics. The alcoholic certainly has lost his freedom. He has become enslaved to drink and powerless in his own strength to break its grip upon himself.

The American people are spending annually from 8 to 9 billion dollars for alcoholic beverages.

The 1935 Legislature granted the legal sale of beer and wine in each county in N. C. without a vote of the people. This condition remained until 1947 when the general Assembly reluctantly passed a law permitting counties to vote on the question. Immediately after the adjournment many counties circulated petitions to secure a vote. Since March 1948 forty-two counties have outlawed beer and wine and some twelve other counties have petitions filed with boards of elections and will vote on the question as soon as such elections can be held under the existing law.

Since 1937 the A. B. C. forces have made an intensive effort to increase the wet territory in N. C. Twenty-eight county wide elections have been held, with twenty-five voting against and twenty - three for A. B. C. stores.

The high consumption of beverage alcohol is expensive to the tax payers. In 1933, the year that beer and whisky came back, the tax payer took care of 270,000 dependent children. In 1949 the tax payers paid a tax to support 1,600,000 dependent children in the nation. In 1949 N. C. General Assembly set aside $300,000 to be used in the care of alcoholics and mental patients addicted to alcohol. We deplore the fact that the liquor traffic is producing alcoholics at such a rapid rate, but the church cannot lose sight of its responsibility in their rehabilitation and redemption.

Under conditions like these what can the church do? First, we propose to continue with increasing vigor our pro-

gram of education and legislation. Second, we propose to fight the liquor traffic in any form in which it should present itself in our area.

Third, the magazine "Tomorrow" could be put in our homes as a useful agency in promoting interest of the Allied Church League which has been most influential in establishing dry counties in our state. Finally, we call upon our membership to stand upon Baptist historic positions that the manufacture, the sale, and the use of alcoholic beverages is morally wrong and to emphasize our church's position by precept and example.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. T. G. Walker

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

With the increase in population comes the increased opportunity for extension of evangelism in winning people to Christ.

Evangelistic work of the revival type has been practiced in our churches and has been an asset in kingdom building.

Since Southern Baptist and North Carolina have adapted a special program on evangelsm, baptisms in the churches have increased. Dr. J. C. Canipe, our state secretary of evangelism, states that, "Last year ini North Carolina more than 33,000 souls were baptized, and in the Southern Baptist Convention more than 300,000."

One of the main objects of the department of evangelism is to promote simultaneous revivals in the associations and churches.

As you know, in the Southern Baptist convention simultaneous revivals were held West of the Mississippi River this year. It is planned to hold them East of the Mississippi River from March 25th to April 8th.

Unless christian people are militant and compassionate our benighted world will continue to wallow in its own blood and spiritual agony.

"He that winneth souls is wise."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. A. O. Joines.

W. M. U. REPORT - 1950

As we review the work of the Woman's Missionary Union in the Alleghany association, we are very thankful for the increases made in membership, tithers, Mission study and gifts through special offerings. Although we failed by a small margin to reach our goal in cooperative program, gifts to State, Home and Foreign Missions, World Relief, etc. were $273.61 and through the cooperative program $97.71, making a total of $311.32.

We were happy to add Scottville to our list of churches with one or more W. M. U. organizations. Yet, we are still challenged by the remaining seven churches that have no missionary organization. May we be moved to more intensive

study of God's plan of work for kingdom advancement and actively carry on that work in community missions.

The annual meeting was held at Liberty church and we were indeed challenged by the messages of our guest speakers, Miss Laura Frances Snow, Miss Lydia Greene and Mrs. Earl James. However, far too few were present to hear them and the good reports made by the associational chairmen. It was a privilege to have Rev. F. G. Walker, one of our pastors in the association, present and take part in the program.

Since so few were present at the annual meeting I am using part of Mrs. Walker's report on mission study for things we all need to hear and give prayerful consideration to its message as we seek to do God's will and witness for him.

"The Bible teaching is the highest authority on the work of missions. First of all, Jesus, himself, who was our supreme authority said, "Go ye, into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Paul, the greatest of all missionaries, gave us the supreme example of doing mission work by teaching, preaching, organizing, indoctrinating and establishing churches that were to become missionary churches in doctrine and practice. They themselves took up the work of missions and each successive generation has responded in a measure to the great missionary movement. Our present day churches are the results of the mission movement established by Christ and the missionaries of all ages.

If the world is ever saved it will be by and through the missionary efforts of God's chosen people. His supreme purpose in coming to the world was to save that which was lost, but this saving power is limited by the unresponsiveness of his saved people. The one great cause for the neglect of obedience to his commands in respect to missions, is the little information that saved people now have about His will concerning their giving the Gospel to the unsaved.

Therefore, the importance of a greater knowledge of what the Bible really says about missions. Too many people say, "I don't believe in Missions." When, as a matter of fact, they have no information about what the Bible says about mission work or they have permitted their selfish inclinations to govern them or allowed themselves to be influenced by their predecessors, who did not beleive in mission work.

The study of missions as revealed in the Bible will become such an inspiration and force that any consecrated Christian will be compelled through the leadership of the Holy Spirit to do mission work.

The study of the needs of the mission fields and objects of mission at home and abroad will command action from God's redeemed children. It is hardly conceivable that any saved child of the Lord, after having experienced God's grace in his own heart, would not want to help any other person at home or abroad to find the same grace and salvation that they themselves have experienced. Therefore, the much needed thing is more study of the needs of the people of the world and more information about their little knowledge of God

and the correct ways of worshipping and serving God. For example, in our own association the records show that we have had more study courses and consequently the contributions to missions have increased."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

REPORT ON TRAINING UNION WORK

Sparta Baptist church is the only church in the Allegnany association having a training program for its membership. Enrollment in all Departments is 40 with an average attendance of about 25.

Other churches in fact, all of the churches of the association should carry on a training program for all ages in the church and especially for those who are members.

On Saturday night September 9th the Association held a special young peoples meeting with the Sparta church. The program was under the direction of the young people of the church. Miss Irene Richardson gave the Devotionals. Mr. Harvey T. Gibson, State Training Union Director from Raleigh gave an address on, "Training in our Churches."

Respectively submitted,
H. E. Singletary, Associational Director.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

Our 1949 report on the Baptist Orphange shows that they had to use $56,000 reserve fund to meet expenses. But this year our people gave more liberally and they had a surplus of $32,000. This report shows that people will respond to help a good cause when they understand the need is great.

On March 21st. this year, the Co-Executor of the Robert M. Idol Estate turned over to the Orphanage $586,000 to be used in building a church at Mills Home, in memory of his mother, an Infirmary there, in memory of his sister and a vocational building which the trustees feel should be in memory of Mr. Idol himself. This is the largest single request the orphanage has ever received. An architect has been employed and plans and specifications are being prepared for these new buildings which should be started this Fall.

Last year the Orphanage cared for 781 children. They did well in school—14 graduated from Mills Home and 5 from Kennedy Home. The pastor, Rev. John Walton baptized 70 at Mills Home. The General Superintendent, Dr. Zeno Wall, reached the retirement age of 68 on August 20th. Superintendent, W. C. Reed was chosen to take his place.

In our own association, five churches gave $132.46 to the Orphanage. One church takes 10 copies of Charity and Children. It is requested that more churches takes this valuable paper. Not only does it keep us up to date on the affairs of the Orphanage, but it is of great Spiritual help too. Our Baptist Orphanage is doing a great work. Let us all support it with our money and our prayers.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Harry Young.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Only two churches in the Alleghany County Association held Vacation Bible School:
Sparta — 66 enrolled, 59 attended.
Laurel Spring — 30 enrolled, 24 attended.

Rev. Lee M. Woodruff.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Van Miller — Moderator.
H. E. Singletary — Vice Moderator.
Joe Bill Reed — Clerk and Treasurer.
A. O. Joines — Auditor.
John M. Cheek — Historian.
F. W. Royal — Choister.
Mrs. Walter Johnson — Pianist.
Walter Johnson — Assoc. S. S. Supt.
Mrs. R. E. Richardson — W. M. U. President.
Miss Donna Jones — Training Union Director.

Respectfully submitted.
F. W. Royal

HOSPITAL REPORT

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital does four things; first, it ministers to the needs of the sick; second, it provides hospital facilities for the training of the medical students of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College; third, it provides a course in training ministerial students in meeting the spiritual needs of the sick; fourth, it trains young women for the nursing profession.

In order to meet the needs of suffering humanity and to maintain the present high rating of the hospital and medical school, it is necessary to add a wing of 150 bed capacity. Friends in Winston-Salem have offered $608,000 in order to help build this wing and we must keep faith with them and show our appreciation of the outstanding work being done by the hospital and medical school by throwing our support to this important task.

Each church with fewer than 200 members is asked to pay $1. per member by the last Sunday in September of this year. If each church will do its part the total amount can be raised. Sucess depends upon each church having a full share in the effort. We hope the Alleghany Association will be one of the first to reach its goal.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. K. Doughton.

REPORT ON EDUCATION

You people will be interested in knowing that we Baptists in North Carolina have supported colleges since 1834, when Wake Forest College was first opened, and that we now have seven fine colleges with a total of 5,000 students, most of whom are Baptists from our North Carolina homes and churches. By

actual count more than 4,000 of these students are members of Baptist churches and must become our leaders as they leave college and return to some community to take up whatever work they may select or can secure. The kind of Baptist colleges we will have twenty-five years from now is dependent upon what we do now for these 4,000 students. The kind of college they now attend is the result of what we, their parents and friends, have made for them. It does not seem extravagant or unreasonable to say that Baptists in North Carolina have their greatest single opportunity in this army of 4,000 students for determining what our future will be. It is our opportunity and responsibility to see that everything possible is done to make these colleges what they should be as the training centers for our Baptist leaders.

(Of each dollar sent to the undesignated Cooperative Program funds in Raleigh, the colleges got 20 cents last year. If you take the total amount for all denominational purposes and sent to Raleigh office, including both designated and undersignated funds, the colleges received less than 10 cents of each dollar. The average per student given by the Baptist churches in the state was $52.00 in 1949.)

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ruth J. Choate,
By Irene Richardson.

Statistical Tables

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	L. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1.	1897, Nov 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2.	1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3.	1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4.	1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5.	1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6.	1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7.	1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8.	1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9.	1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10.	1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11.	1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12.	1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13.	1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14.	1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15.	1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16.	1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17.	1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18.	1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19.	1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20.	1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21.	1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22.	1918, Sep. 6-8	New hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23.	1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24.	1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25.	1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek

26.	1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28.	1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Coffey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52.	1948, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53.	1949, Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54.	1950, Sep. 9-10	New River	Van S. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton

TABLE A. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES				PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer	Total Resident Members	To. Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	No. Years Present Pastor	Does Pastor Live On Church Field?
Bellview	R	1909	2 4	Lee M. Woodruff, Sparta	1	3	0	29	11	40	1	0	No	3	Yes
Chestnut Grove	R	1897	4	John Edwards, Independence, Va.	0	0	1	25	8	33	1	0	No	1	No
Laurel Springs	R	1891	1 3	J. D. Whisnant, Taylorsville	0	1	3	45	33	78	1	0	Yes	2	No
Liberty	V	1881	3	Fred Blevins, Whitehead	2	1	0	52	20	72	1	4	No	4	Yes
Mt. Carmel	R	1884	1	Fred Blevins, Whitehead	1	3	0	65	25	90	1	0	No	4	No
New Hope	R	1881	2 4	C. J. Younce, Scottville	3	4	1	36	8	44	2	0	No	1	Yes
New River	R	1939	3	A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	2	0	3	40	0	40	1	0	No	11	No
Osborne Memorial	R	1943	2 4	Beauford Hash, Marion, Va.	2	0	0	96	0	96	1	1	No	1	No
Pine Fork	R	1898	4	Fred Blevins, Whitehead	4	1	5	67	9	76	1	0	No	4	No
Scottville	R	1925	1 3	C. J. Younce, Scottville	4	0	1	55	24	79	2	0	No	1	No
Sparta	T	1886	1 2 3 4 5	F. G. Walker, Sparta	12	3	8	109	66	175	1	22	No	5	Yes
Welcome Home	R	1950	1 2 3 4	Charlie Jackson, Mt. Airy	2	4	0	32	1	33	1	0	No	1	No

Table B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Study En.	Grand To. Sunday School	Av. Attendance	Vacation Bible School	Av. Attendance
Bellview	George W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs	0	0	6	0	8	10	0	20	0	0	0	44	22	0	0
Chestnue Grove	Lewis Fender, Sparta	3	0	5	0	4	10	0	2	0	0	0	24	15	0	0
Laurel Springs	Van Miller, Laurel Springs	3	3	7	5	5	3	12	15	4	6	0	63	24	30	24
Liberty		2	3	6	3	7	4	12	4	0	0	0	41	27	0	0
Mt. Carmel	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley												154	35	0	0
New Hope	Donna Jones, Furches	0	0	8	4	10	0	8	20	0	0	0	50	30	0	0
New River	Oscar Shumate, Sparta	0	0	0	4	10	10	0	15	0	0	0	39	20	0	0
Osborne Memorial	E. C. Minnich, Piney Creek	0	0	0	10	12	14	0	10	0	0	0	46	35	0	0
Pine Fork	Posey Pruitt, Citron	5	7	0	9	9	6	0	30	0	3	0	69	40	0	0
Scottville	Oscar Perry, Scottville	0	0	4	4	0	6	6	10	0	4	0	34	20	0	0
Sparta	H. E. Singletary, Sparta	33	12	11	19	21	15	18	46	0	2	0	177	68	66	59
Welcome Home	No Sunday School															

Table F — CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	All Other Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses	Pastor's Salary	Grand Total Local Expense
Bellview, C. E. Jones, Furches ...	257.93				5.50		28.72	12.00	46.22	180.70	226.92
Chestnut Grove, L. Fender, Sparta	18.20			31.20	10.90		51.00	24.37	117.47	63.25	180.72
Laurel Springs, V. Miller L. Sp'gs.			57.00		30.00	100.00	47.25	30.35	264.60	824.35	1,088.95
Liberty, Mrs. J. Matthews, Whitehe	271.02				30.90	25.00	33.00	150.00	238.90	151.47	390.37
Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royal G. Valley	434.04		78.81		30.03		107.89	11.16	227.89	191.70	419.59
New Hope, Mrs. Dan Jones Stratford		15.00			16.00			4.00	35.00	240.00	275.00
New River, C. G. Pollard, Sparta								80.00	80.00	50.00	130.00
Osborne Mem. Mrs. H. Young, Sparta			14.40		22.35	25.00	90.49	27.87	180.11	600.00	780.11
Pine Fork, Posey Pruitt, Citron ...	945.67			1,025.91	9.90	5.00		12.00	1,052.81	180.72	1,233.53
Scottville, J. Church, Scottville ..	328.71		92.75		16.00		54.00		162.75	153.75	316.50
Sparta, Ralph Evans, Sparta	4,549.57	120.00	181.55	165.31	300.30		114.55	588.15	1,469.86	2,750.04	4,219.90
Welcome H. Mrs. E. Jackson Mt. Airy	700.00			348.50	7.50		26.00		382.00	41.00	423.00

Table G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

CHURCHES, CLERKS' ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, etc.	Total Expenditure for Missions	Grand Total Expenditure for All Purposes
Bellview, C. E. Jones, Furches	7.00							24.01		31.01	257.93
Chestnut Grove, Lewis Fender, Sparta											
Laurel Springs, W. F. Doughton, Laurel Sp'gs	60.56	10.00	14.17	26.00	34.00		67.58	70.00	11.30	293.61	1,382.56
Liberty, Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead	15.00	10.00	4.00	8.40	4.25	29.00	4.00	8.60	9.00	92.25	482.62
Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royal, Glade Valley								14.45		14.45	434.04
New Hope, Dan J. Jones, Scottville			20.00				12.00	12.00		44.00	319.00
New River, Robert Anders, Sparta							5.00	5.00		10.00	140.00
Osborne Memorial, Carrie Phipps, Sparta			30.00	25.00			10.00	25.00		90.00	870.11
Pine Fork, Gorden Wyatt, Laurel Springs								11.50		11.50	1,245.03
Scottville, Mrs. Thelma Jones, Scottville							6.56	5.65		12.21	328.71
Sparta, H. E. Singletary, Sparta	49.72	4.00	12.65	18.60	34.50		25.00	56.00	110.04	310.51	4,530.41
Welcome Home, Opal Carrico, Rt. 2, Galax, Va.	3.00						5.00	5.00		13.00	436.00

ANNUAL

MINUTES

OF THE

Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association

55TH ANNUAL SESSION

— Held With —

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 8-9, 1951

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Next Session Will Be Held With

CHESTNUT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 13-14, 1952

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Introductory Sermon By

Rev. E. V. Bumgarner

Alternate,

A. K. Taylor

ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION GENERAL OFFICERS

Van F. Miller, Moderator	Laurel Springs, N. C.
H. E. Singletary, Vice Moderator	Sparta, N. C.
George W. Shepherd, Clerk-Treasurer	Laurel Springs, N. C.
A. O. Joines, Auditor	Sparta, N. C.
John Cheek, Historian	Sparta, N. C.
F. W. Royal, Choister	Cherry Lane, N. C.
Mrs. Walter Johnson, Pianist	Sparta, N. C.
Walter Johnson, Ass'n S. S. Supt.	Sparta, N. C.
Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Ass'n W. M. U. Pres.	Whitehead, N. C.
Miss Donna Jones, Training Union Director	Sparta, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Van F. Miller, Chairman, Ex - Officio	Laurel Springs, N. C.
George W. Shepherd, Clerk	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Amos Wagoner	Sparta Church
W. F. Doughton	Laurel Springs Church
F. W. Royall	Mt. Carmel Church
A. O. Joines	Liberty Church
C. E. Jones	Bellview Church
Posey Pruitt	Pine Fork Church
Glenn Vestal	New Hope Church

COMMITTEES ON REPORTS FOR 1952

1. Representative of Baptist Publication, Mrs. A. O. Joines.
2. Hospital, Mrs. E. W. Shepherd.
3. Orphanage, Mrs. Carrie Maines.
4. Temperance, Rev. B. L. Hash.
5. Missions, Mrs. Ben Reeves.
6. Education, Mrs. H. E. Singletary.
7. Evangelism, Rev. J. D. Whisnant.
8. Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. R. E. Richardson.
9. Training Union, H. E. Singletary.
10. Sunday Schools, Walter P. Johnson.
11. Committee on History of Alleghany Association — John M. Cheek, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton, Hon. R. L. Doughton.
12. Daily Vacation Bible School, F. W. Royal.

RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. Garnett Spith	Glade Valley, N. C.
Rev. Everett Shaw	Glade Valley, N. C.
Rev. F. G. Walker	Sparta, N. C.
Rev. William Hamm	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Rev. Lee Woodruff	Sparta, N. C.
Rev. Fred Blevins	Whitehead, N. C.
Rev. Linville Blevins	Piney Creek, N. C.

NON - RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. John Edwards,	Independence, Va.
Rev. J. D. Whisnant,	Taylorsville, N. C.
Rev. A. K. Taylor,	Independence, Va.
Rev. Beauford Hash,	Marion, Va.
Rev. Charlie Jackson,	Mt. Airy, N. C.
Rev. Roe Pasley	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Rev. C. H. McKnight	Independence, Va.

Rev. John Adams ..... Independence, Va.
Rev. Homer Mayhan ..... Independence, Va.
Rev. Clyde Edwards ..... Lewisville, N. C.

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina, and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in comformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereto: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship, and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday school Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday Schools, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association ad interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Asne County, September 24, 25, 1886)"

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the ressurection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,
I. W. Thomas,
C. J. Woodson,
J. E. Fletcher
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same sub-

ject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Robert's" or Kerfoots.

Proceedings

Saturday Morning Session, September 8, 1951, 10:00 A. M.

Saturday morning, September 8, 1951, at 10:00 a. m., the fifty-fifth annual meeting of the Alleghany Missionary Baptist churches assembled with the New Hope Baptist church to enjoy a fine fellowship with the associational churches and to carry out the business proceedings.

The session was opened with song and devotional.

The moderator, Van F. Miller, called the association to order.

Visitors were recognized as follows: Everett Bernard, R. M. House, S. L. Blevins, A. E. Yale, M. L. Blevins, Mrs. Earl James, W. C. Reed, and J. M. Hayes.

A roll call of churches was conducted by the clerk.

A report of executive committee was made by Frank Doughton, chairman.

Report on Baptist publications by F. W. Royal was adopted.

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. R. E. Richardson was adopted.

Mrs. Earl James, Elkin, North Carolina discussed the "Importance of Missions and of W. M. U. Work."

Everett Bernard discussed the healing program of the Missionary Baptist churches of North Carolina and its importance to a full program of Christian activities.

Report on temperance by Rev. F. G. Walker was adopted.

Rev. R. M. House, representing the Allied Church League, gave a report on plans for fighting the evil of drink in North Carolina.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator, Van F. Miller.

Committee on officers — F. W. Royal, C. E. Jones, and Mrs. A. O. Joines.

Committee on time, place, and preacher — Walter Johnson, E. W. Shepherd, and E. C. Minnich.

Committee on resolutions — Rev. F. G. Walker, Dick Shepherd, and Lewis Fender.

Report on missions by Mrs. Jettie Mathews was adopted.

The morning session closed with a sermon delivered by Rev. Fred Blevins, Whitehead, North Carolina.

AFTERNOON SESSION, SEPTEMBER 8, 1951, 1:30 P. M.

After the opening song, devotional was conducted by Rev. W. H. Hamm.

Report on evangelism by Mrs. F. G. Walker was adopted.

Report on education by E. C. Minnich was adopted. This was followed by an address on "Christian Education" by Prof. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College.

A report on the work of the Baptist Orphanage was given by W. C. Reed, superintendent.

Report of nominating committee was adopted.

Report of committee on time and place was adopted. Chestnut Grove Baptist church was selected as the place and September 13-14, 1952, the time. Preacher, E. V. Bumgarner and alternate, A. K. Taylor.

EVENING SESSION, SPARTA BAPTIST CHURCH, 7:30 P. M.

Special organ music by Mrs. Marjorie Armentrout.

Meeting called to order by Miss Donna Jones, training union director.

Address on "Importance of B. T. U." by James P. Morgan, State Director.

Folk songs by Dr. I. G. Greer.

Invocation by Rev. F. G. Walker.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION, SEPT. 9, 1951 10:00 A. M.

The Sunday morning session was opened with song. Devotional was conducted by Rev. F. G. Walker.

The following visitors were recognized: Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer, of the Mount Union Association; Dr. N. D. Fox and family of the Pilot Mountain Association.

Report on Association Sunday School work by Walter P. Johnson was adopted.

Report on orphanage by Mrs. T. S. Moxley was adopted.

The session was brought to a close by an inspiring sermon on "Using Our Gifts" by Dr. I. G. Greer.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Van F. Miller, Moderator.
H. E. Singletary, Vice-Moderator.
George Shepherd, Clerk-Treasurer.
A. O. Joines, Auditor.
John M. Cheek, Historian.
F. W. Royal, Choir Director.
Mrs. Walter Johnson, Pianist.
Walter Johnson, Association S. S. Superintendent.
Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Association W. M. U. President.
Miss Donna Jones, Training Union Director.
J. B. Reed, Hospital Representative.

Respectfully submitted, F. W. Royal.

In Memoriam

Belview — Mrs. Laura Plummer.

Liberty — J. T. Fender.

Mt. Carmel — Mrs. Hattie Woodruff.

Osborne Memorial — Mrs. Blanche Young.

Sparta — W. B. Reeves.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT, 1951

Woman's Missionary Society, or W. M. S. is an organization for the women of a Baptist church which meets regularly and has for its aims: To enlist women in prayer, study of the missionary message of the Bible and world missions; regular contributions to missions, community missions, and missionary education of young people.

We now have in our association only three churches, Laurel Springs, Liberty and Sparta, that have such an organization. We had high hopes of the women in other churches catching a vision of being "Laborers Together With God" in His Kingdom Work but instead we regret to report that the Scottville W. M. S. became inactive last year; however, there are encouraging phases of our Woman's Missionary work. We had a very fine annual meeting at the Laurel Springs church in June, at which time our State Young People's Secretary, Miss Hilda Mayo of Raleigh, and Miss Ernelle Brooks, Missionary to Nigeria, brought inspiring and challenging messages. In the past four and one-half years we find our gifts to all objects have totaled $1,450.00, and our membership has climbed from 38 in 1947 to 80 in 1949 but has now dropped to 49, yet our gifts have increased each year steadily, from $226.00 in 1947 to $325.00 in 1950, which shows that the faithful few have let their added interest in mission study and sessions of prayer bear fruit in increased offerings. Although we have special offerings we encourage our women to give regularly in the church through the cooperative program.

The work of the cooperative program can best be expressed by the following story from Dr. Merrill D. Moore, Director of the Division of Promotion of the Southern Baptist Convention:

The Deacon beside me said, "Brother Moore, I have certainly been busy this week. I was in our Baptist College, and taught several classes of fine young students. The same day I was across the state ministering to a sick man in our Baptist hospital.

"The next day found me in New Orleans witnessing to a down-and-out man, and in a western village telling them of Jesus." My original reaction to his "I've been busy" had by now given way to incredulity.

e continued, "After I took food to some boys and girls in our Children's Home I went to Japan. There I listened to the testimonies of those whom God had recently saved and shared

with the crowd my own experience of how Jesus saves from sin."

By now I was thinking, "What is wrong with this man?" but I knew him well. He was not only sane and sound but he was a distinguished college professor, Ralph Donnell. What could he mean?

Still he continued, "The same week found me in Ogbomosho, Africa, ministering to lepers. And then I was in Jerusalem before a small group of burdened people. Almost unconsciously the words came forth: 'For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life.' "

"In Jerusalem? My friend, are you ill, or what is wrong?" I asked.

"Neither ill nor wandering in my mind. I am merely telling you a few of the things I did this past week. You see, I put a part of myself in the offering plate in our church Sunday. Through the Cooperative Program I was busy last week."

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Associational W. M. U. Supt.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

1. That the pastors and churches of the association put forth more Christian effort to cooperate with each other and their sister churches in the promotion of evangelism, missions and the spirit of good will.

2. That greater effort and emphasis be placed upon the value of our Daily Vacation Bible Schools and Training Union work in our association.

3. That the association give a rising vote of thanks to the members and friends of the New Hope church for their most bountiful and delicious noon day meal and for their unfailing hospitality in entertaining the association.

F. G. Walker and Dick Sheppard, Committee.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGES

The orphan child appeals to Christian love and human sympathy more than any other object on earth. We have 606 of these children cared for at the Mills Home at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home near Kinston. 100 were helped by mother's aid and 58 were cared for in boarding homes, making a total of 764 supported by our orphanage program, under the able leadership of Supt. W. C. Reed.

There are two major sources of support for our program of child care. The greatest of these is the "Once-a-Month" offering by the Sunday Schools and churches. Some of our churches in this association participate in this program. We want to urge the others to do so. The other sources is the Thanksgiving offering. All this money is used exclusively for the support of the children.

All buildings are being erected by special gifts from interested friends. A church, an infirmary, a print shop and one cottage for the children are now being erected through the generous bequest of the late Robert M. Idol and sister, the late Miss Lelia M. Idol, Winston-Salem. The donars designat-

ed in their will that this money should be used for these buildings, which totaled a little more than $700,000.

Each week "Charity and Children" are sent to more than 40,000 families. Through this publication we are able to keep informed of the work done at the orphanage.

Representatives are sent to every association and many of our local churches are visited during the year.

Let us Baptist people continue to respond in the spirit of the Master who said. "Whosoever receiveth one such child in my name, receiveth not only me, but Him that sent me."

May we continue our prayers and support and help to give these homeless children the best training possible.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. T. S. Moxley.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

"Evangelism has made us what we are and evangelism must maintain us," said Dr. E. D. Head recently. Evangelism is the law of the life of the church. Evangelism is the law of the life of the soul. Without evangelism there can be no warm heart, no compassion, and no soul aflame. If we are to be heart and spirit and compassion as a people we must magnify evangelsim.

Secretary C. E. Matthews puts it this way, "Let our objective be to make evangelists of every pastor and soul-winners of every church member."

Evangelism is and ever will be the one and only hope of our confused, frightened, bleeding and dying world. Like as Noah, Jonah, Jeremiah, Amos and John, the Baptist warned the people concerning the wages of sin, summoning them to repentance and faith in the Lord, so today and all the days, preachers and teachers and editors and secretaries and all christian workers, all and each, are called to witness daily in their homes, in their places of employment, in their hours of leisure, and everywhere, to the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world.

While every church in this Association did not have a meeting during the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade it is understood that every church in the association has had a meeting during the year and the reports for the 18,000 churches east of the Mississippi River indicate an increase in church membership of 165,000 with 100,000 coming for baptism. We do not know of any such record of evangelistic results anywhere in church history. May Southern Baptists take heart and even increase its efforts to win the lost to Christ.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. F. G. Walker.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

None of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. The life of the individual effects the life of a community. Private morality becomes public morality. Therefore the conditions of society which affects us are very important.

Juvenile delinquency, crime and gambling are prevalent in our land to an alarming degree, but the liquor traffic is the outstanding menace to our nation today. Out of it grows almost all other evils which beset us. It is a breeder of di-

sease; a breaker of homes; a dethroner of reason; a companion of war and a destroyer of the soul. "At last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder."

We deplore the fact that the liquor traffic is producing alcoholics at such a rapid rate. Approximately seventy-five per cent of the adult men and fifty-six per cent of adult women in America drink alcoholic beverages. When this percentage is translated into the numbers of people of drinking age (15 and above) who drink, the figure is between 60,000,000 and 65,000,000. In this vast segment of our population 4,000,000 are compulsive drinkers and at least 750,000 are chronic alcoholics. However, the term alcoholic includes the entire number of 4,000,000. Alcoholism is America's greatest problem.

The amount of money spent annually for legal beverage alcohol amounts to approximately $8,800,000,000, while the amount of money spent for public and private schools, all colleges and universities, schools for delinquents, blind, deaf, mentally deficient, Indians and for school libraries is only $5,200,000,000. The amount spent for the promotion of the Kingdom of God by all religious bodies amounts to only $910,000,000 which is a little more than the tithe of what is spent for liquor. These figures are not only revealing but they are alarming.

Church people should be aroused to the fact that the liquor traffic is their most deadly enemy striking at the very foundation of the church of Jesus Christ. Dr. Roy L. Smith says, "There is no social, moral or religious value which the church is endeavoring to build up, that the liquor business is not tearing down. There can be no appeasment. The church of Christ must destroy the liquor traffic or be destroyed by it." Which will we choose?

Respectfully submitted, F. G. Walker.

BAPTIST LITERATURE REPORT

We are living in a time when too many people depend on someone else for their information. They are not reading, thinking and making wise decisions for themselves.

The older class, as well as the young folk, are pitifully neglecting wholesome reading.

As the force of evil have strong attractions for our young people, we as church people and parents should strongly stress the importance of reading and the value of good literature in our homes. c

The book of all books, the Bible, should come first in our reading material, and then we have our own Baptist paper, Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and others that contain priceless reading material.

When St. John wrote in Rev. 1:3 "Blessed is he that readeth" he was not, by any means, thinking of unwholesome reading nor of magazines that are corrupt and demoralizing.

Respectfully submitted, F. W. Royal.

STATEMENT FOR REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention in its November 1950, session authorized the committee on the home for the

aging to make plans for the opening and operation of our home for the aging as soon as the committee might find a way to meet the cost of equipping and operating. Because of the drive to raise money for the construction of the new wing to the Baptist hospital, the Convention instructed the committee for the home not to expect direct help from the Baptist State Convention during the year 1951.

On January 9, the committee on the home elected Rev. James M. Hayes, pastor of North Winston Baptist church, Winston-Salem, superintendent of the home, and Miss Edna Heinzerling, director of nurses of the Baptist hospital, to serve as supervisor of our home. The committee decided to open the home for residents when sufficient funds became available

There are many evidences of the Lord's favor upon the home thus far. In the first place, he led in making a home immediately available. Ten years ago the trustees of the Bowman Gray school of Medicine of Wake Forest College leased a three-story, brick constructed, fireproof building, with an elevator, for a period of 25 years for $1.00 a year. The committee on the home was able to secure this building for 15 years at the same rental price. The building accommodates 20 residents at present. The top floor, if completed, would give space for 16 additional residents. The completion of this floor would cost approximately $23,000. With more than 100 applications for admission already received, and inquiries coming almost daily, one can easily see the pressing need of more space.

The home has been greatly helped by the gifts received—furniture, office equipment, heating system, blankets, linens, towels, and many other items, as well as discounts on supplies necessary to be purchased. Although the home has been operating only since March 16, yet it now has assets approximating $50,000, and is not operating in the red.

Our residents range in age from 67 to 91 years, and come from widely scattered sections of North Carolina—from Franklin to Elizabeth City—the mountains to the sea. Regardless of the sections from which they come, they are a happy, congenial family, all rejoicing in the opportunity to live in the home. The attitude of all the residents is well expressed in the brief statements of Miss Bertha Callaway, former matron of Mills Home Orphanage: "I like this good Christian home;" and of Mrs. Carroll: "I wouldn't exchange it for any other."

The home offers four things to those who come to live there: security, comfort, congeniality, and a Christian ministry. With this sort of program, North Carolina Baptists can add years to life, and life to years for those who reside in our Baptist home for the aging.

One donor said when he sent his check to the home: "I believe in this practical kind of Christianity. North Carolina Baptists have waited too long to begin it." Surely it is practical, for Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The committee on the home has challenged North Carolina Baptists to build a home adequate to meet the needs of the increasing number of old people from 65 years up. Their program calls for a million dollar plant, which would accommodate 270 residents. With the Lord leading and North Caro-

lina Baptists cooperating, such a plant should be built and in operation within a few years.

"Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not." (Psalm 71:18).

A STATEMENT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The purpose of this statement is to give general information on our Baptist colleges in North Carolina for those who will be making the report on Christian Education in the annual meetings of our Associations throughout the state. In addition to the information about North Carolina colleges, we are inclosing a statement on our colleges throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

In my five years of visiting these associational meetings, I am convinced that the most effective type of report will include not only general information about Christian Education on a Southwide and Statewide basis, but also the number of young people from the churches in the Association who are attending these colleges. I would suggest that the person preparing the report secure from the pastors of the churches in the Association the names of these students and, wherever possible, invite some student from one of these colleges, or a former graduate, to be present and have a part on the pro-

It has been my hope that through the newspaper publicity and through the churches, all young people planning to attend college might be urged to come to the meetings of the Associations and have an opportunity to meet the representatives of the different colleges who find it possible to attend. We try to have representatives from the various colleges go to these metings in order that they may talk to these young people and give them any help possible.

E. C. Minnich.

MISSIONS

There are two passages of scripture which we ought ever to keep in our thinking about missions. Jesus said, "The Field is the World," Matthews 13:38, and Paul says in Ephesians 6:12, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Jesus told us the field is the world. He used such terms as: "All the world, every Christian, the whole creation." He saw the world in need of salvation. Paul assured us the task of winning the world is spiritual warfare.

The spirit of mission whether state, home or foreign is the same.

Home missions include the territory of the convention. Cuba, Panama Canal Zone and Costa Rica. We have over a thousand missionaries laboring with foreign speaking people, deaf people and others, who are destitute of religious training.

Baptists are seeking to carry out the command of our Lord, "Unto the uttermost parts of the world by sending foreign missions into thirty geographical areas. Foreign mission advance depends upon devotion to Christ. It is hoped that all the churches in this association will support this worthy cause with contribution.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Jettie Matthews.

TABLE A. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES				PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer	Total Resident Members	To. Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	Members Asked to Pledge	No. Roman Catholics Joined
Bellview	R	1909	4	Rev. C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.	1	2	2	23	9	32	1	0	NO	NO	NO
Chestnut Grove															
Laurel Springs	R	1891	1 3	Rev. J. D. Whisnant, Taylorsville, N. C.	0	0	2	42	24	66	1	0	NO	NO	NO
Liberty	R	1881	3	Fred Blevins, Whitehead, N. C.	3	1	1	56	20	76	0	0	NO	NO	NO
Mt. Carmel	R	1884	1	Rev. Fred Blevins, Oakwood, N. C.	2	3	3	62	30	92	1	0	NO	NO	NO
New River	R	1939	3	Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	3	2	1			43	1	0	NO	NO	NO
New Hope	R	1881	2 4		0	2	2	26	10	36	2	0	NO	NO	NO
Osborne Memorial	R	1943	4	Rev. B. L. Hash, Marion, Va.	1	0	2			94	1	1	NO	NO	NO
Pine Fork	R	1898	4	Rev. Fred Blevins, Oakwood, N. C.	0	0	2	66	7	73	1	0	NO	NO	NO
Scottville	R	1926	3	Rev. Roe Pasley, Grassy Creek, N. C.	0	2	2	52	31	83	0	0	NO	NO	NO
Sparta	T	1886	1 2 3 4	Rev. F. G. Walker, Sparta, N. C.	3	3	8	102	70	172	1	22	NO	Yes	NO
Welcome Home	R	1950	1 3	Rev. Charlie Jackson, Mt. Airy, N. C.,	6	4	0	41	2	43	1	1	NO	NO	NO

TABLE B. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Study En.	Grand To. Sunday School	Av. Attendance	Vacation Bible School	Av. Attendance
Bellview	G. W. Shepherd, Furches	0	0	0	8	7	13	0	33	0	0	0	61	33	0	0
Chestnut Grove																
Laurel Springs	Van Miller, Laurel Springs	0	5	0	8	0	3	4	20	4	6	0	58	20	0	
Liberty	James Caudill, Whitehead													14	0	
Mt. Carmel	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley												60	20		
New Hope	Donna Jones, Furches	0	0	5	5	20	0	0	20	0	0	0	50	35	0	0
New River	Oscar Shumate, Sparta	0	0	0	0	2	4	10	15	0	0	0	30	20	0	0
Osborne Memorial	E. C. Minnich, Piney Creek	0	0	0	8	10	0	10	15	0	0	0	64	43	0	0
Pine Fork																
Scottville																
Sparta	H. E. Singletary, Sparta	30	15	14	20	20	12	18	40	10	2	0	181	75	60	55
Welcome Home	Jesse Davis, Galax, Va.	10	0	0	0	0	0	15	25	0	0	0	50	30	0	0

TABLE C. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	No. Nursery Units	No. Beginner Units	No. Primary Units	No. Junior Units	No. Intermediate Units	No. Young People Units	Adult Units N	No. Mission Unions	Total Number Units	Nursery Enrolled	Beginners Enrolled	Primaries Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adults Enrolled	Mission Enrolment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Bellview																				
Chestnut Grove																				
Laurel Springs																				
Liberty																				
Mt. Carmel																				
New Hope																				
New River																				
Osborne Memorial																				
Pine Fork																				
Scottville																				
Sparta	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	8	8	0	15	0	0	31	10
Welcome Home																				

TABLE D. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHSE	PRESIDENTS, ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mission Study	To. Tithers All Organiza.
Bellview	9														
Chestnut Grove	9														
Laurel Springs	Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs, N. C.	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	9	4	0
Liberty	Mrs. W. M. Wagoner, Whitehead, N. C.	1						8					8	3	2
Mt. Carmel	9														
New River	9														
New Hope	9														
Osborne Memorial	9														
Pine Fork	9														
Scottville	9														
Sparta	Mrs. Jimmie Mitchell, Sparta, N. C.	1	0	2	0	0	3	36	0	25	0	0	61	36	6
Welcome Home	9														

TABLE F. CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHSE	All Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary here)	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary	Grand Total Local Expense
Bellview	310.18					86.41	43.60			129.01	109.35	238.36
Chestnut Grove												
Laurel Springs	1,791.82		37.00	21.00	24.19	40.00	75.00		102.00	299.19	1,000.00	1,299.19
Liberty	579.68			300.00	31.38		28.00		21.00	380.38	144.15	534.53
Mt. Carmel	336.86		29.66		15.03		77.52		26.62	148.83	170.18	319.01
New River	811.28				128.00				300.00	428.00	50.00	478.00
New Hope	798.35		375.00		18.50		45.00		21.35	459.85	300.00	759.85
Osborne Memorial	923.60		73.50		25.00	50.00	46.10		57.50	270.60	600.00	870.60
Pine Fork	303.43			814.07	7.13	13.00			12.00	846.20	151.15	1,097.35
Scottville	129.00				3.00				12.00	15.00	100.00	115.00
Sparta	4,858.26	120.00	169.32	98.35	262.10	150.00	142.30		391.36	1,332.43	2,750.04	1,683.47
Welcome Home	1,200.00			1,465.00				1,255.00		1,465.00	60.00	1,525.00

TABLE G. GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC

CHURCHES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, etc.	Total Expenditure for Missions	Grand Total Expenditure for All Purposes
Bellview								71.82		71.82	310.18
Chestnut Grove											
Laurel Springs	244.00		20.00	29.00	34.00		102.98	42.65	20.00	492.63	1,791.82
Liberty	10.50	5.00	3.00	3.00	3.30	6.85	10.50	2.00	1.00	45.15	579.68
Mt. Carmel								26.05		26.05	345.06
New Hope							10.00	28.50		38.50	798.35
New River							5.00	5.00		10.00	811.28
Osborne Memorial							15.00	38.00		53.00	923.60
Pine Fork	96.08							10.00		108.00	303.43
Scottville								14.00		14.00	129.00
Sparta	85.28		107.60	15.00	46.00	167.50	15.06	18.25	110.04	564.13	4,648.20
Welcome Home							2.00	10.00		12.00	1.522.00

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm.
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1.	1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2.	1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3.	1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4.	1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5.	1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6.	1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7.	1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8.	1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9.	1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10.	1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11.	1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12.	1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13.	1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14.	1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15.	1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16.	1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17.	1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18.	1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19.	1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20.	1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21.	1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22.	1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23.	1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24.	1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25.	1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26.	1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Osteo	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek

28. 1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29. 1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
30. 1926, Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31. 1927, Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32. 1928, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33. 1929, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34. 1930, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35. 1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36. 1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37. 1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38. 1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39. 1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40. 1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41. 1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42. 1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43. 1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44. 1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45. 1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46. 1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47. 1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48. 1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49. 1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50. 1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51. 1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52. 1948, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53. 1949, Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54. 1950, Sep. 9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
55. 1951, Sep. 8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	J. B. Reed	Fred Blevins	Van F. Miller

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September 12-13, 1953

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Introductory Sermon By

Rev. J. D. Whisnant

Rev. C. H. Mc Knight
Alternate

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CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Allgehany, State of North Carolina, and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in comformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereto: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convenion.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship, and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the reg-

ular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday Schools, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association ad interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886)"

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the ressurection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,
I. W. Thomas,
C. J. Woodson,
J. E. Fletcher,
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated

by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoots.

Proceedings

Saturday morning session, September 13, 1952, 10:00 A. M.

The session was opened with song and the devotional. The devotional was conducted by Rev. C. H. McKnight. The moderator, Van Miller, called the association to order.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed as follows:

S. L. Blevins, Mrs. Etta Blevins, M. L. Blevins and J. A. Brown from Stone Mt. Association. C. H. McKnight, New River Assoc.; M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College: R. M. Hauss, Allied Church League; B. Frank Hasty, Wake Forest College and E. V. Bumgarner, Alexander Assoc.

A roll call of churches was conducted by Moderator, the report of executive committee was made by W. F. Doughton, Chairman, and was adopted.

Report of Baptist publications by Mrs. A. O. Joines was adopted.

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. J. K. Doughton was adopted.

Report on Evangelism by Rev. J. D. Whisnant was adopted.

Hymn.

Rev. R. M. Hauss, representing the Allied Church League, gave a report on the success in combating the sale of alcoholic beverages in many counties in North Carolina, after which an

offering was taken for this cause in the amount of $43.72.

The following committees were appointed by Moderator Van Miller. Committee on officers, Amos Wagoner, Mrs. George Shepherd, Glenn Vestal. Committee on time, place and preacher, Tommy Moxley, Oscar Shumate and Mrs. Paul Swanson. Committee on resolutions, A. O. Joines, Posey Pruitt and Rev. Charley Jackson.

Report on missions by Mrs. Ben Reeves was adopted.

Hymn.

The morning session closed with a sermon delivered by Rev. E. V. Bumgarner.

Afternoon Session, September 13, 1952, 1:30 P. M.

The session opened with a hymn.

Devotional was conducted by Rev. J. D. Whisnant

Visitors were recognized as follows:

Rev. J. M. Hayes, Superintendent of N. C. Baptist Home for the Aged; Dr. W. K. McGee, Baptist Hospital and Earl Parson, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Address by Rev. Frank Hasty, on the proposed work and cost of Wake Forest College.

A report was given by M. H. Kendall on Christian conviction.

A report on the Cooperative Program by J. C. Pipes.

A report on the Baptist Hospital by Mrs. E. W. Shepherd was adopted. Following this report Dr. W. K. McGee gave an address on Christianity in the hospital.

Rev. J. M. Hayes gave a report on the Home for the Aged.

Report of the nominating committee was adopted.

Report of Committee on time, place and preacher was adopted.

Bellview Baptist church was selected as the place, September 12-13, 1953, the time, and preacher, Rev. J. D. Whisnant.

Evening session at Sparta Baptist Church, 7:30 P. M.

Miss Donna Jones, B. T. U. Director, presiding.
Prelude on Organ by Miss Susie Sturdivant.
Hymn: The Church is One Foundation.
The devotion was conducted by Rev. Jack Byrd.
Need of Leadership — Miss Barbara Miller.
Playing the Game Fair — Miss Patsy Hill.
A duet — All On The Alter — by Miss Patricia Edwards and H. E. Singletary.
A talk by Mrs. M. A. Chanler, Our Young People.
Song — The Kingdom Is Coming.
Report on Sparta B. T. U. by H. E. Singletary.
Closing prayer by Rev. Jack Byrd.

Sunday Morning Session, September 14, 1952, 10:15 A. M.

The session opened with a hymn, after which Rev. Charlie Jackson conducted the devotional.

The Moderator, Van Miller, appointed A. O. Joines to represent the Home for the Aged.

A visitor was then recognized, W. C. Reed, Superintendent

of the Baptist Orphanage. The report on Associational Sunday School by Walter Johnson.

Report on orphanage by Mrs. Van Miller was adopted.

An inspiring address was then given by W. C. Reed, Superintendent of Baptist Orphanage.

Hymn.

A special song "The Ninety and Nine" by Walter Johnson.

The closing sermon was delivered by Rev. Jack W. Byrd.

The program was concluded by a hymn and hand shake of fellowship.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

During the past year we have had only one meeting, that was to make arrangements to pay for some repairs on the parsonage. We feel there should be more cooperation with churches, and the committee.

There is now only one resident pastor living in the bounds of the association. Let us plan to get a good man in our house during the next few months. There are many reasons why the pastor should live among his members.

W. F. Doughton, Chairman.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE
1952

"Give me understanding and I shall keep thy law, yea I shall observe it with my whole heart" says the author in 34th verse of 119 Psalm. Understanding of God's word comes through prayerful study of the Bible.

Dr. Lawrence of the Home Mission Board once said, "To know the Bible without knowing the efforts being made to spread the gospel is to miss the most valuable commentaries upon the scriptures. Surely invaluable aid is found in our Baptist literature in books, tracts, periodicals, etc. The Sunday school board prints hundreds of such. The Home and Foreign Mission Board publishes valuable mission study books, leaflets and fresh monthly magazines of just what is taking place on our mission fields.

The Woman's Missionary Union publications are graded and attractive for every age.

The Biblical Recorder is the official news agency of our State Convention. It, with Charity and Children afford splendid, inspirational articles, as well as the news of the activities of all our church organizations. Every home should have access to these.

Baptist literature ranks with the best in uplifting material. It has been truly said, "A nation goes in the direction of the literature it reads." Genuine Christian literature will satisfy real heart hunger for knowledge of God's people. Good literature will cultivate a spirit of love, devotion and loyalty.

There is no virture in ignorance. Let us rejoice in the opportunity to get good reading matter for our uplift and beware of cheap news stands.

No doubt there will be renewed interest in Bible reading this fall, when the new 1952 Bible is off the press. This is the first authorized version of the Holy Bible since the King James version was printed in 1611. Some Bible scholars and theologians have been working for twenty years or more to translate it in our modern day language. Among those of the Baptist faith were: J. R. Sampey, A. T. Robertson, K. M. Yates, T. L. Holcomb, Hight C. Moore and C. J. Allen.

The Bible and these varied publications are the treasure chests to which we can go for gems of learning to supply our spiritual zest, our programs, and our inspiration.

We would therefore recommend your generous support of our Baptist publications where unto they have been dedicated. And may they accomplish an ever increasing measure the work for which they were brought into being.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. A. O. Joines, Chairman.

The Woman's Missionary Union has chosen as her watchword for the year 1952-53 John 4:35 — "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already to harvest." In this verse the command of our Lord is to "look." This command is just as important as his commands to "pray" and "go". Our Christian service begins and expands as we look at the world and its needs as Christ did and still does. It was his looking from heaven and seeing the lost world that caused him to come down to save it. "I have seen their affliction and have come down to deliver" was spoken of him through the prophet Isaiah. Many times he refers to his having come all because of what he saw. The look prepares us also to pray and go.

If we could lift our eyes to the level of his look, many important things would stand out on the horizon of humanity. We would see earth's millions lost in sin who have not yet heard of the saving power of the gospel. A great many Christians are indifferent to the condition of men without Christ.

Through mission study, missionary reading and monthly missionary programs in the four magazines, the Woman's Missionary Union offers to our women and young people the opportunity to "look on the fields" and to become linked to the world wide missionary task.

Praying and looking we see fields ready for the harvest. We are living literally at the harvest time of all ages. Most of

the doors are open today. Eager people aren't only stretching forth their hands but are moving toward the claims of the Christian gospel. It is the supreme hour of evangelism in many lands. There is no near, no far to our missionary vision; there is one world of eternal souls to be rescued and saved through Christ. We are seeking to begin through community missions to reach those near us at home of all races and nationalities, giving missionary education to the young people and extending our prayers and gifts to those of the world. We are stewards of the message and we should not dare to quibble about the cost in the presence of Calvary.

"Lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already to harvest."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. K. Doughton.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

If you would go directly to the heart of missions, if we would feel the pulse of God's eternal word, and if we would catch the heart throb of man's redeemer we would unitedly declare Evangelism from Dan to Beer Sheba. Evangelism was born in the heart of God, revealed and established in Jesus Christ, and intended that man should propiagate it to the ends of the world.

Evangelism as such became an organized and adopted part of our Cooperative Program when The Southern Baptist Convention met at St. Louis in 1947. According to Dr. C. E. Matthews, Secretary of Evangelism for our Home Mission Board an all time record in baptisms for Southern Baptists was realized in 1947 with 285,152. He states that we continued to set all time high records each year following 1947, until in 1950 we baptized 376,085.

Dr. J. C. Canipe of Hendersonville, N. C., our State Secretary of Evangelism stated to our Convention at Asheville last year that 1, 250 out of our 2,500 churches reported 1,600 baptisms and 5,000 additions to the churches by letter, as a result of our Simultaneous Crusade March 25 - April 8, 1951.

These figures are fine but how much do we really believe in Evangelism? Dr. J. B. Lawrence reporting on the Home Mission Task to The Southern Baptist Convention in 1951 brings to our attention the startling fact that in 1943 it took 27.2 Baptist's a year to win one soul to Christ and in 1950 it took 18 Baptist's a whole year to win one soul. Surely we need to restudy The Great Commission as given by our Saviour, and feel His heart throb for Evangelism.

Surely we need to see our one and one half million lost souls in North Carolina, our thirty nine million in the South, and the near two billion lost souls in the world. To bring this picture home to us here in Alleghany Association, we have a population of around eight thousand and so far as we know sixty per cent or perhaps more of them are lost to the saving Grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Surely today we need to rededicate our lives to the task of Evangelism.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. D. Whisnant

REPORT ON THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

When Jesus was here in the flesh he healed many that were sick. Our Baptist Denomination seeks to continue the work that Jesus did through our Baptist hospital. It is the business of our hospital to do all that is possible to heal the hundreds of sick people who go there each week in search of relief from disease. Many of those who call for help cannot pay for the care received. It is our opportunity through our Mothers Day Offerings to make it possible for our hospital to answer these calls for help from those who have little or no money.

Last year more than 10,000 people were cared for as bed patients. There were 95,000 visits to the clinics for examinations and treatments. Many of these patients could pay for only a part of their hospitalization or none at all. Much of this service could not have been provided without the help of our Mother's Day Offerings.

The construction of the new wing to the hospital is in progress and is expected to be completed by middle of 1953. This will add 150 new beds and other badly needed facilities.

We hope that before this year closes every one of our churches in the Alleghany Association will have done its part in helping with the cost of this building.

Our Baptist State Convention will meet in Winston-Salem, November 11-13. This will be an excellent opportunity for many of us to visit our Hospital. Arrangements will be made for visitors to get from the meetings of the Convention to the hospital and for guided tours through the Hospital.

Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethern, ye have done unto me." (Matt. 25:-40). Let us give our best in the name of our Lord in meeting the opportunity to help sick people who need the service of our Baptist Hospital.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. E. W. Shepherd.

MISSIONS

There can be very little doubt as to what Christ has commanded His disciples to do. The Great Commission fixes that — it is "Unto all nations beginning from Jerusalem." It is the churches of Christ going into all the world without limitation and preaching the gospel to every creature.

This is not a foreign mission task alone, nor is it a home mission task, or state mission task — it is the kingdom task of the whole denomination. The approach to the world kingdom task which Christ has assigned us is and must always be from the homeland of the people who have the gospel.

Through the years we have made great progress. We now have 803 Southern Baptist Missionaries on foreign fields. One hundred eleven of these were appointed within the last year.

Work has been started in three additional countries: Ecuador and Peru in South America and Southern Rhodesia in Africa. With these additions, the Board has Missionaries in twenty-seven national areas of the world.

While great strides have been made, future advance will

depend entirely upon the enlarged vision and enlargd giving of our Baptist people.

We cannot all be Missionaries but we can remember our state, home, and foreign mission boards with our dollars and with our prayers. Then, we may have a small part in helping to carry out the command of our Lord when He said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Mrs. Ben Reeves.

During the past year a lot has been accomplished at both homes of our orphanage. Under the leadership of Superintendents, W. A. Smith of Kennedy Home and C. A. Kearns of Mills Home, the affairs of these large families have been so directed as to develop among the children and employees a fine spirit of cooperation in every way.

Our big task this year has been to see that the wills of the Idol family were carried out. One hundred thousand dollars of this money was placed in endowment and the income from this is to be used exclusively for repair of the three memorial buildings.

The Print Shop is completed and has been named Robert M. Idol Memorial Building.

The Infirmary is almost finished and will be named the Lelia M. Idol Memorial Building.

The Church with 46 classrooms is under contract and will be built as soon as steel can be secured. This will be named the Sarah Masten Idol Memorial Building in honor of the mother of the donors.

In addition to the above a new cottage for girls has been added and three of the oldest cottages have been remodeled so that now they are among the best on the campus.

A recreation center is also under construction and should be ready before Christmas. This will be named the I. G. Greer Recreation Center.

During the past year our orphanage cared for 725 children. In addition to these, our Social Service staff investigated the applications of 684 others, and in many instances helped to find them a home where they would be cared for. For 67 years this service has been carried on through our great orphanage. This has been financed through the once-a-month and the Thanksgiving offering. In planning for the Thanksgiving offering if everyone will add a little extra it will help the ever increasing demands of the needy children who look to the orphanage for their chance in life.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Van Miller.

Report Of The Associational Sunday School Year

The past year was one of much activity in our associational Sunday School work. The State Baptist Sunday School Board in cooperation with seven of our twelve churches conducted a cunty-wide Sunday School revival. Rev. D. P. Brooks of the state convention led a group of trained workers in this event. Much support was given by leaders in our Association.

The work consisted of a trained worker, in each participating church, leading those participants in a census taking of

potential members. Each church also had a week of study regarding the building of a better and more effective Sunday School. The results were immediate and expected to be lasting.

In June of this year we held an Associational-Sunday School all-day meeting at the Sparta Church. This meeting was held the Saturday before our Revival Week began on the following Sunday. It added much to the success of the program. At this meeting we heard the following present an interesting series of talks. They were Rev. Paul Bruner of Mt. Airy; J. Marsh Grant, editor of the Charity & Children; Rev. D. P. Brooks Director of Baptist Sunday School work.

It was decided at this meeting that we would hold an annual Sunday School Convention each Spring. The time and place of the next meeting to be announced later.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter P. Johnson,
Associational Sunday School Supt.

In Memorial

Bellview — W. F. Jones, Mrs. W. F. Jones.
Liberty — Arthur Brooks, Enoch Hamm.
Osborne Memorial — Rufus Phipps.
Sparta — Brother D. C. Bledsoe.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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Walter Johnson, Association S. S. Superintendent.
Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Association W. M. U. President.
Miss Donna Jones, Training Union Director.
J. B. Reed, Hospital Representative.

Respectfully submitted,
Amos Wagoner, Chairman Nominating Comm.

RESOLUTIONS REPORTS

The members of your Resolutions Committee are grateful:

1. For the visiting speakers who contributed so largely to the success of this meeting. Their inspiration and information were sources of great pleasure and helpfulness.

2. To the Chestnut Grove Church community for their gracious hospitality, delicious, and bountiful meal.

Your Committee Recommends:

1. That we become more diligent in fostering the training of our young people in Sunday Schools, Daily Vacation Bible Schools and Training unions. We believe that the pastors should have an active association to plan the work in all the churches.

2. That the Churches put forth more Christian effort to

cooperate with each other in the promotion of evangalism, missions, and the spirit of goodwill. Christlike love should abound among individual members.

3. That each officer feel the personal responsibility of doing the best work in his sphere. We should rely more wholly upon the Lord as we strive to extend the kingdom work through missionary endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,
A. O. Joines,
Posie Pruitt,
Rev. Charlie Jackson.

TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES				PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters & Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Mem.	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	Are Members Asked to Pledge to Church Budget	No. Roman Catholics Join
Bellview	R	1909	4 5	C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.	13	3	2	34	15	49	2	0	0	0	1
Chestnut Grove	R	1889	3 4	John J. Edwards, Independence, Va.	0	0	0	30	5	35	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel Springs	R	1891	1 3	J. D. Whisnant, Taylorsville, N. C.	0	0	0	42	24	66	1	0	0	0	0
Liberty	R	1881	3	Bradley W. Mays, Elk Creek, Va.	0	0	3	40	13	53	1	0	0	0	0
Mount Carmel	R	1884	1	Everette Shaw, Glade Valley, N. C.	0	0	4	60	28	88	1	0	0	0	0
New Hope ...	R	1881	2 4	J. D. Whisnant, Taylorsville, N. C.	2	2	0	30	10	40	1	0	0	0	0
New River ..	R	1939	3	A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	2	1	2			45	1	35	0	0	0
Osborne Mem.	R	1943	2 4	B. L. Hash, Marion, Va.	1	0	1	40	51	91	1	0	0	0	0
Pine Fork	R	1898	4		0	2	4	56	11	67	0	0	0	0	0
Scottville	R	1926	3	John Goodman, West Jefferson, N. C.	0	0	2	50	31	81	0	0	0	0	0
Sparta	T	1886	1 2 3 4 5	Jack W. Byrd, Sparta, N. C.	0	7	6	103	70	173	0	22	0	Yes	0
Welcome Home	R	1950	1 2 3 4 5	Charley Jackson, Mt. Airy, N. C.	17	2	0	58	4	62	1	0	0	0	0

TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	Cradle Roll	Nurseyr	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Sunday School En.	Grand To. Sun. School En.	January Bible Study	No. Training Schools	Vacation Bible School En.
Bellview	George W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs, N. C	0	0	13	6	7	16	0	28	0	0	0	70	0	0	0
Chestnut Grove		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Springs	Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	2	0	2	4	5	8	18	5	6	0	50	0	1	0
Liberty	James C. Caudill, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	5	0	6	0	0	11	0	0	0	22	0	1	0
Mount Carmel	F. W. Royal, Glade Calley, N. C.	Not Graded											109	0	0	0
New Hope	Houston Wyatt, Scottville, N. C.	0	2	0	12	8	7	0	16	0	0	0	45	0	1	0
New River	Oscar Shumate, Sparta, N. C.	3	0	0	2	12	2	3	10	0	0	0	30	0	1	0
Osborne Memorial	E. C. Minnich, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	10	0	0	15	0	15	0	4	0	44	0	0	0
Pine Fork	Posey Pruitt, Citron, N. C.	0	0	7	0	7	4	0	24	0	0	0	42	0	0	0
Scottville	Mrs. Delia Jones, Scottville, N. C.	0	0	5	0	5	0	6	4	0	0	0	25	0	0	0
Sparta	H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C.	0	15	15	26	20	25	18	46	0	4	0	169	0	1	0
Welcome Home	Jesse W. Davis, Galax, Va.	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	35	0	0	0	75	0	0	0

TABLE D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS, ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mission Study	To. Tithers All Organiza.
Bellview															
Chestnut Grove															
Laurel Springs	Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs, N C.	8	0	0	0	0	8	9	0	0	0	0	9	12	0
Liberty	Mrs. W. M. Wagoner, Whitehead, N. C.	1	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	8	0	0
Mt. Carmel															
New Hope															
New River															
Osborne Memorial															
Pine Fork															
Scottville															
Sparta	Mrs. Cora Barker, Sparta, N. C.	2	0	2	0	0	4	29	0	26	0	0	56	38	7
Welcome Home															

TABLE F — GIFTS GIVEN THROUGH THE CHURCH

CHURCHES	Local Gifts (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans' Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, Etc.	Total Mission Gifts	Grand Total Gifts for All Causes
Belview	382.00	215.00	10.00						7.00	16.00		34.00	631.00
Chestnut Grove	12.00	100.00											112.00
Laurel Springs	211.03	954.40	42.75	15.00	25.00	10.00	31.00	21.00	90.83	41.00	10.00	286.58	1,452.01
Liberty	191.90	101.38	8.19		3.00	4.00	8.00	11.72	5.13	3.00	79.47	122.51	452.79
Mt. Carmel		158.57								20.00		20.00	178.57
New Hope	75.00	305.00								10.00		10.00	390.00
New River		65.00							5.00	5.00		10.00	75.00
Osborne Memorial	679.00	600.00				50.00			15.00	20.00		85.00	1,364.00
Pine Fork	51.07	178.33								2.00		2.00	231.40
Scottville	28.04	42.82								6.94		6.94	77.80
Sparta	1,964.22	2.129.19	160.39		28.31	36.31	65.25	35.50	50.00	100.00		475.76	4,569.17
Welcome Home	529.00	92.31				5.00			5.00	5.00		15.00	636.31

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1.	1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2.	1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3.	1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4.	1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5.	1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6.	1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7.	1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8.	1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9.	1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10.	1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11.	1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12.	1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13.	1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14.	1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15.	1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16.	1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17.	1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18.	1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19.	1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20.	1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21.	1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22.	1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23.	1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24.	1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25.	1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26.	1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek

28.	1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	I. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52.	1948, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53.	1949, Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54.	1950, Sep. 9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
55.	1951, Sep. 8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	J. B. Reed	Fred Blevins	Van F. Miller
56.	1952, Sep. 13-14	Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	E. V. Bumgarner	W. F. Doughton

ANNUAL

MINUTES

OF THE

Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association

57TH ANNUAL SESSION

— Held With —

BELLVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

September 12, 13, 1953

Next Session Will Be Held With

SPARTA BAPTIST CHURCH

September 11-12, 1954

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Introductory Sermon By
Rev. Charlie Jackson

Rev. C. H. Mc Knight
Alternate

ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION GENERAL OFFICERS

Van F. Miller, Moderator ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.
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John Cheek, Historian ..... Sparta, N. C.
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Walter Johnson, Ass'n S. S. Supt. ..... Sparta, N. C.
Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Ass'n W. M. U. Pres. .. Whitehead, N. C.
Miss Donna Jones, Training Union Director .... Sparta, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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W. F. Doughton ..... Laurel Springs Church
F. W. Royall ..... Mt. Carmel Church
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Posey Pruitt ..... Pine Fork Church
Glenn Vestal ..... New Hope Church
Ernest Wilson ..... Welcome Home

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1. Representative of Baptist Publication, Mrs. Eugene Shepherd.
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3. Orphanage, Mrs. Ray Purlier.
4. Temperance, Rev. S. L. Blevins.
5. Missions, Mrs. A. O. Joins.
6. Education, Mrs. Jack Byrd.
7. Evangelism, Rev. Jack Byrd.
8. Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. R. E. Richardson.
9. Training Union, H. E. Singletary.
10. Sunday Schools, Walter P. Johnston.
11. Committee on History of Alleghany Association, John M. Cheek, Mrs. F. Miller, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton, Hon. R. L. Doughton.
12. Daily Vacation Bible School, Rev. William Hamm.

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Rev. Linville Blevins ..... Piney Creek, N. C.
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Rev. Homer Mayhan ..... Independence, Va.
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CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in comformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereto: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spriitual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Assocation shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of

their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Artcile 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Freign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty o fthe Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association ad interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make an-

nual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886)"

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. 9biM 3....

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the ressurection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,
I. W. Thomas,
C. J. Woodson,
J. E. Fletcher,
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoots.

Proceedings

Of The Alleghany Baptist Association Held With

Bellview Baptist Church
Furches, N. C.

Saturday Morning Session, September 12, 1953

The Alleghany Baptist Association opened the first day of its 57th annual meeting at 10:00 a. m. with Moderator Van Miller presiding. The session was opened with a hymn by the congregation. The devotional was conducted by Rev. C. H. McKnight.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed by the Moderator.

J. W. Eldreth, Ashe Association; Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Biggerstaff, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. Edgar Castevens, Briar Creek Association; Jeffie Daniel, Alexander Association; Prof. R. L. Holt, Mars Hill College; Dr. W. K. McGee, Baptist hospital; Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Collins and Rev. R. M. Perry, New River Association.

Roll call of churches by Moderator. The roll call was answered by ten of the twelve churches, others came in after the roll call was completed.

The report of the executive committee was made by Chairman W. F. Doughton and was adopted.

Report of Baptist publication's was given by Mrs. Paul Swanson, the report was adopted.

Dr. W. K. McGee gave an address on the many benificial needs of the new wing to the Baptist hospital.

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. R. E. Richardson. The report was adopted. Mrs. Richardson then introduced Rev. A. R. Phillips, who gave an address on our missions in foreign lands.

Report on evangelism by Mrs. Jack Byrd, the report was adopted.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator.

Nominating committee:

H. E. Singletary, chairman; Mrs. R. E. Richardson; Mrs. T. S. Moxley.

Time, place and preacher committee:

Paul Swanson, chairman; Rev. Charley Jackson; Mrs. Amos Wagoner.

Resolutions Committee:

Rev. Jack W. Byrd, chairman; Mrs. Glenn Vestal, Mrs. E. W. Shepherd.

Hymn by congregation.

The moderator then introduced Rev. H. J. Ford of Elkin who preached our annual introductory sermon. He read from the 13th Chapter of Romans, and took his text from the 11th verse: "and that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed."

Recess for lunch.

Rev. Charley Jackson returned thanks for the food.

Afternoon session opened with hymn by congregation.

Devotional was conducted by R. L. Holt The moderator called for recognition of visitors, but no new visitors had arrived.

Report on Christian Education by Mrs. A. O. Joins. Report was adopted.

Professor R. L. Holt gave an address on our Christian supported schools in comparison with those supported by the state.

Rev. W. T. Biggerstaff, a member of the United Church League, gave an address on temperance.

Two new visitors arrived and were recognized at this time, Rev. J. M. Hays, Supt. of the Home For The Aged and M. A. Huggins, representative of the cooperative program.

Song by congregation.

M. A. Huggins gave an address on the cooperative program.

Address was then given by Rev. J. M. Hays on the importance of a special offering for the Home for the Aged.

The moderator then called for a report of the committees; report of the nominating committee; report of committee on time, place and preacher; report of committee on resolutions.

The moderator then asked if there was any further business to come before the association.

Rev. Willie Hamm made a motion that all churches have and equal number of delegates to the association, which would consist of five delegates for each church in the association. The motion was seconded and voted on but did not carry the necessary majority for passage.

The association was adjourned until the evening session which was to be held at the Sparta Baptist Church.

Sunday Morning Session, Sept. 13, 10:00 a. m.

The session was opened with a song by the congregation.
The devotional was conducted by Rev. Jack Byrd.
Recognition of visitors.
Morris Grant
Report was given on associational Sunday Schools by Walter Johnson, Associational Sunday School Superintendent.
Report was given on orphanage by Mrs. A. O. Joins. Report was adopted.
The moderator then introduced Morris Grant, representative of the Orphanage who gave an enlightening and very interesting illustration of the orphaned children. He used photographs of the children and surroundings as they appear in everyday life at the orphanage.

Hymn.

The closing sermon was conducted by Rev. J. M. Hays.

He read from the 1st chapter of Acts and took his text from the 4th verse: "Ye shall be my witnesses unto me."

Rev. Jack Byrd led the closing prayer.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, in his timely book, Evangelism According to Christ, says, "The bad news of sin and death must be met with the good news of God's redemptive love in Christ if disaster is to be turned into blessedness. Only an evangelism possessed of the spirit of Christ and practiced in accordance with his example will suffice for this age of crisis."

The Southern Baptist slogan in Sunday School work for the coming year is, "A million more in 54." That is to say, a million more enrolled in Southern Baptist Sunday Schools. The implication is for more than this. Think of the possibilities for Christ. Surely Alleghany Baptist will strive to win every lost soul in their share of the one million.

Let us place evangelism at the center of all our endeavors in the work of the church. Furthermore, let us pray thta God may continue to use us in presenting His Christ and winning the lost to Him.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack W. Byrd.

Evening session at Sparta Baptist church, 7:30 p. m., H. E. Singletary presiding.
The following program was given by young people of the Sparta Church.

1. Song by congregation.
2. Prayer.
3. Special music by the Sparta Junior Choir.
4. Special music by Miss Wilma Richardson.
5. Impirational address by Rev. Jack Byrd, pastor Sparta Baptist Church.
6. A period of fellowship at which time games were played and refreshments were served in the basement of the church.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your committee had only two meetings. At one meeting we made arrangments to make some improvments on the parsonage property. A garage and storage rooms which was built and some tips for the front, which were built and paid for at a cost of $1,252.90. rE!

We recommend that a committee be appointed at this session to work with the Moderator and Executive Committee to make a determand effort to secure a good man to move to the parsonage soon to be the pastor of as many of our churches as he can well act as pastor of.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. Doughton.

Report on time, place and preacher committee.

The time will be 2nd Saturday and Sunday in September, 1954.

The place, Sparta Church.

Introductory sermon by Rev. Charley Jackson of Welcome Home Church.

Alternate, Rev. C. H. McNight.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Swanson, chairman,
Other Members,
Chas. Jackson,
Mrs. Amos Wagoner.

RESOLUTIONS REPORTS

The Resolutions Committee expresses deep appreciation:

1. To the women and all members of the Bellview Baptist Church for their very fine hospitality extended so graciously to us in so many ways.

2. For the many informative reports and inspiring messages from our visitors and others who have contributed toward the success of this associational meeting.

The committee Recommends:

1. More interest and concern be given to the young people throughout the association. There is urgent need for B. T. U. Organizations and Daily Vacation Bible Schools.

2. More attention be centered upon the women's work. There is imperative need for more W. M. U. Organizations in the various churches.

3. Greater emphasis be placed upon our cooperative program in all the churches. Every church member should be informed concerning our Baptist work. Each church should observe the special days at which time special offerings are made for certain causes.

4. All the churches strive to carry out their work in the spirit of Christ and fervent prayer. Let us put forth every effort to foster the spirit of cooperation with one another in brotherly love which is so akin to the Christ we serve and to whom we belong.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack W. Byrd,
Mrs. Glenn Vestal,
Mrs. E. W. Shepherd.

ORPHANAGE REPORT, (1953)

As we know the orphanage is divided into two units — the Mills Home, at Thomasville, and the Kennedy Home, at Kinston. No facts and figures can compute the immeasurable good they have done. Many young lives otherwise destined for ruin have been developed and trained into stalwart Christian men and women. These two branches of our Baptist Orphanage have outstanding and consecrated leaders. We are justly proud of the work thus far accomplished. But more can be done. The responsibility for greater deeds rests on our shoulders — the more we contribute the more service can be rendered. Keep these things in mind during the monthly Sunday School and yearly Thanksgiving offerings.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Arthur Matthews.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Since the educational facilities of the local church will be discussed individually in reports of Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union and good literature, we shall omit reference to these and consider our Baptist Colleges.

Baptist Colleges were founded for the purpose of extending Christian education to the youth. They have grown in influence and usefulness until they have attracted young men and women not only from this country, but also from foreign countries. Through the years these colleges have operated for the benefit of the youth and the advancement of the kingdom. Many of the graduates have become our most prominent ministers and teachers.

Let us remember that we are Southern Baptists and we own six seminaries, namely: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; New Orleans Seminary, New Orleans, La.; Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.; Golden Gate Seminary, Berkley, Calif.; Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.; and American Baptist Theological Seminary for negroes, Nashville, Tenn. About three fourths of the 4,727 students enrolled are ministers.

Baptists also own sixty-two other colleges in the various states in the Southern Baptist Convention. North Carolina alone has seven. Meredith and Wake Forest are senior colleges, while Mars Hill, Gardner-Webb, Campbell, Wingate, and Chowan are junior colleges. The total enrollment last year was 5,000. Among these were 422 ministerial students and 300 student volunteers being trained for full time Christian service. These trained young men and women will be able to take their places in our world as leaders and in all departments of our churches. Society is sorely lacking in spiritual qualities and tendencies, and Christian citizenship is greatly needed.

As the masses of the people become more intelligent and better trained through the improved educational opportunities provided by the state, Baptists have tried to make available a sufficient number of well educated men and women to permeate society with Christian thought and a Christian philosophy of life.

Therefore, I wish to recommend the North Carolina Bap-

tist Colleges to our youth for Christian education. Daniel Webster once said, "If I work upon marble, it will perish; if I work upon brass, time will efface it; if I rear temples, they will crumble into dust; but, if I work upon immortal minds, it will imbue them with principles, with just fear of God and love of our fellowmen, we engrave on those tablets something which will brighten to all eternity."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. A. O. Joines.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

As we look back over the past year we have a mixed feeling of gratitude and regret. Gratitude that God has blessed us in so many ways and has not withdrawn the opportunities for service from us. There is also a sense of regret that some of our organizations are not so active and that nine of our churches have no organized W. M. U. work at all.

In the words of Miss Annie Armstrong who served eighteen years as Secretary of our Southwide Union in its infancy: "There is a grevious responsibility in not doing."

We are grateful for the faithfulness of those in our membership of fifty - four W. M. S. members and thirty - three Girls Auxillary members who have worked, studied, prayed and given $131.92 to Foreign Missions; $42.40 to Home Missions; $23.80 to State Missions: $28.00 to Heck-Jones Memorial Offering making a total of $215.00. More than 75 per cent of our members also give through the co-operative program in their churches.

During the past year Sparta W. M. U. has taken on new life as the two circles have met once each month separately and have come together in a general meeting once a month, also five M. S. classes. They observed the seasons of prayer for Foreign Missions in December by meeting for one hour each day for five successive days for prayer and study and in March for Home Missions likewise. There were many testimonies to the blessing received in these special prayer services. It is only through prayer and faith in God that we can find the power for advance of which we hear so much today and which is needed so desperately in our time of confusion and unChristlike living. "This is the victory that has overcome the world even our Faith."

Our annual meeting was entertained by Liberty church. We heard very inspiring and challenging messages brought by our State Field Representative, Mrs. John Wacaster, and a Home Missionary, Miss Bertha Wallis. We were also happy to have greetings from our Divisional Representative, Mrs. R. T. McNeill of North Wilkesboro. Among the new officers elected were Rev. Jack W. Byrd, Associational R. A. Counselor and Mrs. Jack Byrd, Young Peoples leader.

May we go forward during the coming year — "Not by might, not by power, but by my Spirit saith Jehova of Hosts."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. R. E. Richardson,
Associational W. M. U. Superintendent.

MISSIONS

That Christ expects his followers to be missionary minded is clearly set forth in the twenty-eighth chapter of St. Matthew. Southern Baptist in an endeavor to live up to Christ's expectation have as their objective the evangelization of the whole wide world and for this task they must have motive, money and men.

Our churches and our people must be inspired to go into all the world with the gospel. The treasuries of our agencies must be supplied with sufficient funds to send out the workers who the Lord shall call into the various fields. The very best of our young people with the most adequate training available must answer the call of Christ and dedicate themselves to the task of preaching the gospel to those who do not have it.

But money, motive and men for mission work are produced as the fruits of denominational life. In order for that fruit to be developed there must be the tilling of the homeland life. However, no movement will promote itself, consquently our slogan has been and should continue to be. the making and baptizing of diciples and the mobilization of the baptized for world conquest for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jack W. Byrd.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1953 ASSOCIATION

Walter P. Johnson, Associational Supt.

The coming year of 1954 challenges the best we have in the Alleghany Association. We must dedicate ourselves to the task of building our Sunday Schools in each of our Baptist churches in this county.

Presently the attendance record of our Sunday Schools are way below what we should reasonably have. If you will check the tables in the back of this minute you can see what the churches are doing.

The Southern Baptist Convention has set a goal of "A Millon More In 54." This means that each church in our association has a responsibility in helping to reach this goal.

Our fields are ripe unto harvest. Workmen for Christ are called upon to respond to the call of service in our Sunday Schools of Alleghany County Baptist Churches.

Respectfully Submitted,
Walter P. Johnson.

SUGGESTED REPORT (1953)
NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

The youngest member of our Baptist family of institutions, the North Carolina Baptist Homes, Inc., has had the best year since it began operating, March 16, 1951.

Resthaven, with space for twenty residents, has been filled to capacity. The number of inquiries for rooms has increased into the hundreds.

The Home received its best financial support. The share

received from the nine year program (1952) was $14,062.80; our first special day offering, February 15, exceeded $52,000; and from individuals, churches, and auxiliary organizations we have received $12,380.33, as of August 1.

The response to the first special day offering for the home was most encouraging. More than half of our 3055 Baptist churches responded. About seventy-five per cent of the amount came from the smaller churches.

Considering the short time our home has been operating (2 years), and the fact that this was the first opportunity to appeal to our churches for a special offering, all of us should be encouraged by the response. Our next special day offering, February 21, 1954, should amount to $100,000.

On June 18, this year, property was purchased for a Branch Home at Albemarle. This property, consisting of a vacated hospital building and a nurses' home building and nearly three acres of land, was purchased for $25,000. It will cost an equal amount to renovate the property. Even so, it is well worth twice the amount invested. Thus, we can care for 60 residents — 20 at Resthaven, Winston-Salem; and 40 at the Albemarle Home.

At the time of purchase, it was hoped that the branch home would be ready for operation by October 1, this year.

The general health of the residents has been exceptionally good, considering the range of their ages, 66 to 93. There has been only one death this year. The spirit and the general attitude of the residents have been most satisfactory.

There are many evidences of increasing interest in our homes. Pastors, conducting worship services, have brought delegations from their churches to share the inspiration of worship with our residents. Auxiliary and Sunday school groups have frequently visited us to conduct devotional services. Gifts of supplies and cash are often received from these various organizations.

Plans for the future enlargement are encouraging. With a general special day offering in February, 1954, and other special gifts from individuals and corporations, we should be ready to begin construction of our administration building, which would give us room for fifty additional residents, and making our total capacity 110 residents.

Since North Carolina Baptists now number more than 700,000 members, with thousands of our constituency now over 65 years of age, we should keep in mind the great number of our elderly brethern who need a home to provide security, comfort, congeniality, and a Christian ministry. Our North Carolina Baptist are able to meet the challenge to make adequate provision for the aging, and as "laborers together with God," we can meet it.

"Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth" - Psalms 71:9.

Superintendent Hayes requests that a representative for the Baptist Homes be elected at each Association.

Memorial

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Laurel Springs ..... Mrs. Mary Absher
Laurel Springs ..... Mrs. Ellen Moxley
Liberty ..... Mrs. H. C. Cheek
Mt. Carmel ..... Mr. David Osborne
Welcome Home ..... Mrs. Nealia C. Phipps

TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES				PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters & Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Mem.	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	Are Members Asked to Pledge to Church Budget	Pastor's Annual Salary
Bellview	R	1909	4	Rev. C. H. McKnight, Independence	0	0	0	40	9	49	1	0	No	No	255.00
Chestnut Grove	R	1889	1 4	Rev. John J. Edwards, Independence	2	0	0	32	5	37	1	0	No	No	125.00
Laurel Springs	R	1891	2 4	Rev. S. L. Blevins, Hays, N. C.	0	0	2	42	22	64	0	0	No	No	735.00
Liberty	V	1881	3	Rev. S. L. Blevins, Hays, N. C.	0	0	3	28	25	53	0	0	No	No	255.00
Mt. Carmel	R	1884	1	Rev. Everett Shaw, Glade Valley	0	0	6	54	28	82	1	0	No	No	75.00
New Hope	R	1881	1	Rev. William Pruitt	0	0	0	30	10	40	1	0	No	No	200.00
New River	R	1939	3	Rev. A. K. Taylor, Independence	0	12	0			55	1	40	No	No	50.00
Osborne Mem.	R	1943	4	Rev. B. L. Hash	2	0	0	42	51	93	1	0	No	No	600.00
Pine Fork	R	1898	4	Rev. Charlie Richardson, Wilkesboro	0	0	2	56	13	69	2	0	No	No	48.00
Scottville	V	1926	4	Rev. C. H. McKnight, Independence	0	0	1	51	31	82	0	0	No	No	42.00
Sparta	T	1886	1 2 3 4	Rev. Jack W. Byrd, Sparta	23	6	2	136	56	192	1	12	No	Yes	3,200.00
Welcome Home	R	1950	1 3	Rev. Charlie Jackson, Mt. Airy	2	0	2	52	10	62	2	0	No	No	94.00

TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Sunday School En.	Grand Total Sunday School En.	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School En.	Average Attendance V. B. S.	Number Training Schools	January Eible Study
Bellview	George W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	6	3	4	16	0	25	0	5	0	59	33	0	0	0	0
Chestnut Grove	Garneth LaRue, Sparta, N. C.	0	6	3	0	3	0	6	3	0	0	0	30	16	0	0	0	0
Laurel Springs	Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	3	3	0	7	4	9	15	4	6	0	54	26	0	0	0	0
Liberty	James C. Caudill, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	6	0	8	0	0	14	0	4	2	34		48	40	Yes	1
Mt. Carmel	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C.	Not Graded											75	34	0	0	0	0
New Hope	Houston Wyatt, Scottville, N. C.	0	2	0	12	0	12	0	13	0	0	0	44		0	0	0	0
New River	Oscar Shumate, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	2	2	0	4	3	9	0	0	0	20		0	0	0	0
Osborne Memorial													50					
Pine Fork	Posey Pruitt, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	4	2	5	4	0	20	0	0	0	35	34	0	0	0	0
Scottville																		
Sparta	H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C.	0	19	27	18	27	29	25	74	0	5	0	224	100	81	75	Yes	1
Welcome Home	Jesse W. Davis, Galax, Va.	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	35	0	0	0	75		0	0	0	0

TABLE D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS, ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mission Study	To. Tithers All Organiza.
Bellview															
Chestnut Grove															
Laurel Springs															
Liberty	Mrs. William Wagoner, Whitehead, N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	12	0
Mt. Carmel															
New Hope															
New River															
Osborne Memorial															
Pine Fork															
Scottville															
Sparta	Mrs. W. C. Barker, Sparta, N. C.	1	0	2	0	0	3	22	0	30	0	0	52	0	10
Welcome Home															

TABLE G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, etc.	Total Expenditure For Missions	Grand Total Expenditure For All Purposes
Bellview — C. E. Jones, Furches, N. C.		8.00					12.00	28.00		48.00	459.00
Chestnut Grove — Mrs. Howard Brooks, Sparta		3.00								3.00	142.00
Laurel Springs — Mrs. Loy Miller	70.00	15.00	12.00		30.00	42.00	61.00	31.00	15.00	276.00	1,248.00
Liberty — James C. Caudill, Sparta, N. C.	24.00	7.00	2.00				12.00	15.00		61.00	506.00
Mt. Carmel — F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C.								23.00		23.00	128.00
New Hope — D. J. Jones, Stratford, N. C.			10.00				12.00	5.00		27.00	299.00
New River — Robert Anders, Sparta, N. C.											80.00
Osborne Memorial — Carrie Phipps, Sparta							20.00	25.00		45.00	704.00
Pine Fork — Johnny Bryan, Laurel Springs								3.00			247.00
Scottville — Laura Shepherd, Laurel Springs											54.00
Sparta — H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C.	188.00	5.00	21.00	80.00	96.00	125.00	50.00	50.00		615.00	5,575.00
Welcome Home — Jesse W. Davis, Galax, Va.							5.00	5.00		10.00	553.00

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1.	1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2.	1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3.	1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4.	1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5.	1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6.	1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7.	1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8.	1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9.	1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10.	1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11.	1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12.	1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13.	1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14.	1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15.	1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16.	1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17.	1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18.	1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19.	1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20.	1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21.	1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22.	1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23.	1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24.	1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25.	1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26.	1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek

28.	1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926, Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927, Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39.	1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52.	1948, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53.	1949, Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54.	1950, Sep. 9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
55.	1951, Sep. 8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	J. B. Reed	Fred Blevins	Van F. Miller
56.	1952, Sep. 13-14	Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	E. V. Bumgarner	W. F. Doughton